



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to adopt resolution authorizing City Manager, or designee, to execute a contract, and any necessary amendments, with 72 Hour, LLC, dba National Auto Fleet Group, of Watsonville, CA, for the purchase of seven 2020 Ford E-450 ambulances, on the same terms and conditions afforded in the Sourcewell (formerly The National Joint Powers Alliance) contract, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,168,951, inclusive of taxes and fees. (Citywide)

City Council approval is requested to enter into a contract with 72 Hour, LLC, dba National Auto Fleet Group, for the purchase of seven Ford E-450 ambulances, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,168,951, inclusive of taxes and fees. The ambulances are for use by the Long Beach Fire Department's rescue operations. Purchase of these vehicles were approved by the City Manager in the FY 20 Fleet Replacement Plan.

Ambulances currently have a six-year useful life due to the heavy use and high mileage they accrue. The new ambulances will replace units that have exceeded their six-year useful life and several of the units will be used as spares to replace current spare ambulances that are 11 years old. To partially offset the cost of the new ambulances, an application for the Carl Moyer grant has been submitted. The Carl Moyer grant is provided when emissions are being reduced from these types of vehicles, given there is no incentive to reduce emissions since emergency response vehicles are exempt from emissions control regulations. Grant funds are allocated based on a formula for the amount of emissions that will be reduced by using the replacement units. The formula uses the annual mileage, type of fuel, age of the engine, and other factors for calculating the amount of funds that can be awarded.

The Fleet Services Bureau and the Purchasing Division in the Department of Financial Management investigated procurement options for the Ford E-450 ambulances, and found that Sourcewell had completed an open, fair, transparent, and competitive procurement process. The City reviewed the Sourcewell cooperative agreement and received a quote, detailed drawings, and pictures from National Auto Fleet Group's local distributor, Halcore Group (dba Leader Industries). After review of the agreement and quote, National Auto Fleet Group was chosen due to their ability to provide the configuration of the ambulances needed for the Long Beach Fire Department rescue operations.

City Charter Section 1802 provides an alternative procurement method by permitting the City to purchase or otherwise obtain services, supplies, materials, equipment, and labor with other

governmental agencies by purchasing under their contracts on a voluntary and selective basis when authorized by a Resolution of the City Council.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Taylor M. Anderson on July 20, 2020, Deputy Finance Director Sandy Tsang-Palmer on July 1, 2020, and by Budget Management Officer Rhutu Amin Gharib on July 17, 2020.

SUSTAINABILITY

These new ambulances are compliant with the State of California and local district air quality regulations for criteria and pollutant emissions.

City Council action to adopt a Resolution and execute a contract concurrently is requested on August 4, 2020, to ensure the contract is in place expeditiously.

The cost of the contract will not exceed \$2,168,951, inclusive of taxes and fees, and is budgeted in the Fleet Service Fund Group in the Financial Management Department. The Carl Moyer grant application has been submitted to partially offset the cost of the new ambulances, in the estimated amount of \$190,000. Ongoing maintenance expenses estimated at \$268,269 annually and capital replacement charges based on an asset life of approximately six years, estimated at \$336,000 annually, will be charged to the General Fund Group in the Fire Department through the regular Fleet Services Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) monthly billing process starting when the units are delivered and in use. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

Approve recommendation.

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