



Staff Report

Purchase of Three Fire Apparatus, Bid Project 17-0084	
City Council Meeting Date: 2-28-17	Action Being Considered: Minute Order

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the City Manager or his designee to approve the purchase of three fire apparatus with Metro Fire Apparatus Specialists, Inc. of Houston, Texas through the Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) Cooperative Purchasing Program, in the estimated amount of \$2,341,934.

PRIOR BOARD OR COUNCIL ACTION

On June 24, 1997, City Council adopted Resolution 97-411, authorizing City participation in the Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) Cooperative Purchasing Program.

ANALYSIS

This purchase is for two new fire pumper engines and one new aerial platform truck to replace the three existing front-line fire apparatus that have reached the end of their useful service life. The new fire apparatus are equipped with all the requirements to meet or exceed EPA emission reducing standards. Fire apparatus have a lead time of approximately 18 months (from the encumbrance of funds until delivery). Due to the need to maintain an adequate fire apparatus fleet and to avoid an increase in the cost of the replacement apparatus, the City wants to proceed with the acquisition of the vehicles.

In an effort to explore new procurement options and seek greater cost-savings related to fire apparatus, management opted to perform a detailed comparison of available equipment, options, and customizations available through various cooperatives to ensure that the City is getting the best price and quality.

One apparatus will be purchased through general fund. The other apparatus's will be financed with Certificates of Obligation approved for FY17.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Utilizing the interlocal agreement with Metro Fire Apparatus Specialists, Inc. through the H-GAC Cooperative Purchasing Program was determined to be the most cost-effective method for obtaining the three fire apparatus. This is a one-time purchase. The new units will replace existing units; therefore, no additional maintenance or fuel costs will be incurred.

<u>FY 2017</u>	<u>FY 2018</u>	<u>FY 2019</u>
\$2,341,934	\$0	\$0

Funds are budgeted in Fire Department Fire Operations Account No. 220201-68200 [\$628,027] and Fire Bond Account No. 228502 [\$1,713,907] and subject to FY2017 Capital budget approval.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Attached:	None
Under separate cover:	None
Available in the Purchasing Division:	Bid file
Notarized Form 1295:	Yes
MWBE:	No

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