

Council Communication

Office of the City Manager



Date

February 20, 2006

Agenda Item No. **38B**
Roll Call No. **06-**
Communication No. **06-074**

Department: Fire

AGENDA HEADING:

Award of Bid V06-062 for three (3) Type 1 Ambulances.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval of the low compliant bid from Taylor Made Ambulances, 3704 Medallion Place, Newport, AR 72112, Joseph M. Taylor, Vice President, for the purchase of three (3) Type 1 ambulances and the acceptance of the highest offer for trade-in units.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$350,260.00

Funding Source: Fund Code CP041, Organization FIR990000, Project FIR013, Account 544070

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

On November 21, 2005 bid requests and equipment specifications were sent to ten reputable ambulance manufacturers and/or distributors for the provision of three (3) Type 1 ambulances for the Des Moines Fire Department. Purchase of the three ambulances will not result in an increase in the City's vehicle equipment fleet – two of the units will replace units currently in service that have reached the end of their practical useful lives, one of the units will replace an ambulance that was involved in an accident and was damaged to the extent that the cost to repair exceeds its value.

The City received three responses – one was an offer to purchase the two used vehicles and two were offers to provide the ambulances that included an allowance for trade-ins of the used vehicles. The Fire Department Maintenance and Logistics and Emergency Medical Service Sections reviewed the two proposals for compliance and both were found to meet specifications. Taylor Made Ambulance submitted the low bid for each ambulance and installed equipment of \$126,420.00, or a total gross bid of \$379,260.00. Taylor Made Ambulance's trade-in allowance of \$29,000.00 was also the best offer received.

The net total proposal of Taylor Made Ambulance is \$350,260.00 and the Procurement Administrator and the Fire Department recommend that they be awarded the bid.

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