



Council Communication

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Agenda Item No. 40B

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Submitted by: William G. Stowe, Assistant City
Manager/Public Works/Engineering

AGENDA HEADING:

Bid No. V07-015, Service Truck Body Purchases

SYNOPSIS:

Approval to proceed with purchase of two service truck bodies.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$31,395

Funding Source: 2006-2007 Operating Budget, Fund IS201, Org PWK010407, Equipment Replacement Fund, page 277

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Bids were solicited for an aerial lift with fiberglass service body (Item 1) and a service body (Item 2) for the Building Services Division of the Park and Recreation Department. The service bodies are intended to be mounted on new truck chassis previously purchased under the State contract for standardization to reduce acquisition costs.

Item 1 Aerial Lift with Fiberglass Service Body – Low Bid Rejected

The low bid from Truck Equipment, 1560 NE 44th Avenue, Des Moines, IA, (Leo Wieseler, President.), in the amount of \$21,702 was not compliant in configuration of cargo space and safety flooring. The cargo compartments on the service body did not have appropriate size and adjustable shelving as specified in the bid documents. Acceptance of this non-compliance would have required modifications in excess of the cost of the compliant bid. Also, the non-compliant bid from Truck Equipment included a smooth flooring surface that would have presented an increased slipping hazard instead of the specified tread plate flooring.

Second Low Bid Accepted

The low compliant bid for Item 1 was received from the same company. Truck Equipment, 1560 NE 44th Avenue, Des Moines, IA, (Leo Wieseler, President.), was the low compliant bid in a second proposal in the amount of \$22,719.

Item 2 Cargo Service Body – Low Bid Accepted.

The low compliant bid for Item 2 was received from Hawkeye Truck Equipment, 5800 2nd Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50316, (Tom Steinkamp, Owner), in the amount of \$8,676.

The combined cost for the two service bodies recommended for purchase is \$31,395. The existing units meet replacement criteria and will be sold at the City's annual auction resulting in no increase in fleet size.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE