

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

DATE: 4/9/2013 **REFERENCE NO.:** **P-11510 **LOG NAME:** 13P13-0094 FIRE ATTACK UNIT EJH

CODE: P **TYPE:** CONSENT **PUBLIC HEARING:** NO

SUBJECT: Authorize Purchase of a Ford F-550 Fire Attack Patrol Unit for the Fire Department from Chastang Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Chastang's Bayou City Ford, in the Amount of \$200,168.00 Using a Cooperative Contract (ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the purchase of a Ford F-550 fire attack patrol unit for the Fire Department from Chastang Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Chastang's Bayou City Ford, in the amount of \$200,168.00 using the Houston Galveston Area Council Cooperative Contract No. FS12-11.

DISCUSSION:

This vehicle is a fire attack truck that will be used by firefighters to transport personnel and equipment to fight structural and traffic-accident fires and to deal with other hazardous incidents where fast fire knockdown with minimal liquid runoff is desirable. This vehicle will be a new addition to the City's fleet.

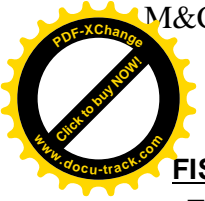
The truck will be a Ford F-550 4x4 off-road capable attack truck equipped with a Compressed Air Foam System (CAFS). The unit will have 300 gallons of on-board water and 30 gallons of foam with a 250 gallon-per-minute pump. The CAFS is a highly effective fire fighting system. It provides the fastest fire knockdown time and uses a minimal amount of water. Using this system will considerably reduce the risk of damage from water and smoke and better protect firefighters and structural contents. In addition, using CAFS improves safety for the firefighters, preserves the site for arson investigation, and reduces impact on the environment.

This equipment meets required specifications and is expected to operate satisfactorily during its service life. Warranty information, manufacturer's Statement of Origin, and original sales invoices will accompany the equipment upon delivery to the Fire Service Center located at 2920 West Bolt Street.

PRICE ANALYSIS - The price offered by Houston Galveston Area Council (HGAC) has decreased eight percent from the previous price awarded for a fire attack truck on October 25, 2011 (M&C P-11312). The price was obtained using HGAC Cooperative Contract No. FS12-11. Staff reviewed the price and determined it to be fair and reasonable.

COOPERATIVE PURCHASE - State law provides that a local government purchasing an item under a cooperative purchasing Agreement satisfies state laws requiring that the local government seek competitive bids for purchase of the item. HGAC contracts have been competitively bid to increase and simplify the purchasing power of government entities across the State of Texas.

M/WBE OFFICE: A waiver of the goal for MBE/SBE subcontracting requirements was requested by the Purchasing Division and approved by the M/WBE Office, in accordance with the M/WBE or BDE Ordinance, because the purchase of goods or services is from sources where subcontracting or supplier opportunities are negligible.



FISCAL INFORMATION/CERTIFICATION:

The Financial Management Services Director certifies that funds are available in the current capital budget, as appropriated, of the New Equipment Purchases Fund.

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TO Fund/Account/Centers

FROM Fund/Account/Centers

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