

COUNCIL AGENDA: AUGUST 6, 2013

SUBJECT: AWARD CONTRACTS – SIX (6) COMPRESSED NATURAL GAS TRUCKS

SOURCE: Finance Department - Purchasing Division

COMMENT: Staff solicited bids for one (1) PM10 (Particulate Matter of 10 microns or less) street sweeper, one (1) dump truck, and four (4) refuse collection trucks. In response to solicitation, one (1) bid was received for the street sweeper, three (3) bids were received for the dump truck, and four (4) bids were received for the refuse collection trucks, one of which was non-responsive to the specifications. The responsive bids are as follows:

<u>Bidder – One PM10 Street Sweeper</u>	<u>Amount</u>
GCS Environmental Equip. Services Sacramento, CA	\$282,547.02

<u>Bidder – One Dump Truck</u>	<u>Amount</u>
EM Tharp: Crysteel body Porterville, CA	\$180,183.36
Fresno Truck Center: PB Loader body Fresno, CA	\$180,528.22
EM Tharp: Scelzi body Porterville, CA	\$181,870.84

<u>Bidder – Four Refuse Collection Trucks</u>	<u>Amount</u>
EM Tharp: Amrep FL/Bridgeport SL Porterville, CA	\$1,097,004.32
EM Tharp: New-Way FL/Heil SL Porterville, CA	\$1,114,816.29
EM Tharp: McNeilus FL/McNeilus SL Porterville, CA	\$1,157,128.51

Staff reviewed the bids and found the low bidders to be responsive to the specifications. The purchase of the six CNG powered trucks is authorized by a Federal Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality (CMAQ) grant administered by Caltrans in the amount \$1.56 million that covers 100% of the purchase cost. Under normal circumstances, the City's local share would be 11.47% of the \$1.56 million grant or \$178,932. Specific to this project, TCAG made Toll Credits available to supplant the City's local share.

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RECOMMENDATION: That Council award the contracts for:

1. One (1) new CNG PM10 Street Sweeper in the amount of \$282,547.02 to GCS Environmental Equipment Services;
2. One (1) CNG Dump Truck in the amount of \$180,183.36 to EM Tharp;
3. Four (4) CNG Refuse Collection Trucks in the amount of \$1,097,004.32 to EM Tharp; and
4. Authorize payment upon satisfactory delivery of the equipment.

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SUBJECT: PRE-PURCHASE OF PRE-SELECTED SLUDGE DEWATERING EQUIPMENT AND ELECTRIC BLOWERS

SOURCE: Public Works Department - Engineering Division

COMMENT: On June 4, 2013, Council approved the pre-selection of a screw press dewatering machine and three electric blowers. Both pieces of equipment followed the normal bid process and the selection was made based on a 20 year life cycle analysis. Under the pre-selection process, the equipment is pre-selected but the actual equipment purchase is made by the General Contractor once the installation contract is awarded.

In our discussions with the equipment manufacturers, it was revealed that both pieces of equipment have a 6 to 8 week "shop drawing" turn-around period followed by an 18 to 20 week fabrication period. The 6 to 8 week shop drawing period and the 18 to 20 week fabrication period begin once the general contractor has been selected. The General Contractor is not expected to be on board until December 3, 2013.

In an effort to significantly reduce the construction timeline, staff recommends that the City Council allow for the pre-purchase of the screw press and electric blowers. The City will prepare documents committing the equipment manufacturer to the prices quoted in their proposal, to an acceptable delivery schedule and will commit the manufacturer to honor all guarantees and warranties. The purchase price of the Huber Screw Press is \$390,000 and \$772,599 for the three Piller Electric Blowers.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council:

1. Direct the Finance Director to issue a Purchase Order in the amount of \$390,000 to Huber Technologies (screw press) and issue a Purchase Order in the amount of \$772,599 to Piller TSC (three electric blowers);
2. Direct the Public Works Director to prepare or have prepared a "Commitment" document that commits the equipment manufacturer to the prices quoted in their proposal, to an acceptable delivery schedule and a commitment to honor all equipment guarantees and warranties.

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