

City of Carson Report to Mayor and City Council

May 20, 2014 New Business Consent

SUBJECT: CONSIDER AN AWARD OF PURCHASE CONTRACT FOR A PAVER TRAILER

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Director of Administrative Services

Approved by Nelson Hernandez

City Manager

I. SUMMARY

The City's Purchasing Office has received a request for the purchase of a paver trailer for use by the Public Works Department, Street Maintnenance Division. Since the total cost of the equipment exceeds the amount that the City Manager may approve, the City Council is being asked to approve the award of purchase contract.

II. RECOMMENDATION

AWARD a purchase contract to Riverside Truck and Equipment, Inc. in the amount of \$40,863.01.

III. ALTERNATIVES

TAKE any other action the City Council deems appropriate.

IV. <u>BACKGROUND</u>

In accordance with the procurement process stipulated in the Carson Municipal Code, bids were solicited for the purchase of a paver trailer as described by the City of Carson Bid Specifications No. B14-03. The City Clerk posted the Notice Inviting Bids as required by the Carson Municipal Code on April 9, 2014. The bid was also posted on the City's website and published in the Our Weekly newspaper on April 10, 2014. Bids were solicited from six (6) vendors (Exhibit No. 1). On April 28, 2014, four (4) responses were opened as received by the City Clerk's Office as follows:

BIDS RECEIVED

Company	City	Bid Amount
Argo Fab, Inc	Phoenix, AZ	\$29,823.65
Kraftsman, Inc.	Ramseur, NC	\$30,653.00
Riverside Truck & Equipment, Inc.	Riverside, CA	\$40,863.01
North American Trailer	Fontana, CA	\$44,438.65

The bid was reviewed and evaluated by Purchasing staff and the Public Works Program Administrator and Equipment Mechanic II. The bid was also evaluated

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for conformance with the City's bid specifications and utility requirements. Staff determined that it is in the City's best interest to award the paving trailer to Riverside Truck and Equipment, Inc. The lowest bidder was Argo Fab, Inc. located in Phoenix Arizona, however, this vendor did not meet the specifications required in section 5.3 and the company does not have a dealer or local distributor for warranty repairs or service parts. The second lowest bidder was Kraftsman, Inc. located in Ramseur, North Carolina and this vendor also does not have a dealer or local distributor for warranty repairs or service parts.

The new paver trailer replaces a paver trailer that was acquired in the year 1986 and is under capacity and non compliant with California Highway Patrol/Department of Transportation (CHP/DOT) regulations in regards to exceeding the load carrying capacity of any vehicle. The new paver trailer is equipped with optional equipment that is ergonomically friendly and more efficient due to essential standard built-in accessories, and will be more "user-friendly" to City employees. The new trailer has ability to haul any equipment in the city's fleet and the optional winch can also serve as a towing platform thereby reducing our towing cost from outside vendors.

The asphalt crew requires a trailer with the capacity to carry two pieces of equipment in order to avoid having to purchase another trailer in the near future for a planned roller purchase. A single operator can transport two pieces of equipment to the job site in one trip instead of traveling back and forth to the city yard to pick up another trailer and equipment, thereby using less fuel and saving time. The new paver trailer will take up less room on the street than the two separate smaller trailers combined that are currently being used.

A copy of City Bid Specifications No. B14-03 is available in the Purchasing Office and an informational copy has been previously provided to the Mayor and City Councilmembers.

V. FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for the paver trailer were included in the FY 2013/14 Capital Asset Replacement Fund budget in account no. 38-80-99-003-8002.

VI. <u>EXHIBITS</u>

1. Vendor List (pg. 4)

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TRAILBOSS PAVER TRAILER (SPECIAL PAVER) B14-03 VENDORS LIST

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