



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR

March 25, 2014

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From:  Christine Daniel, City Manager

Submitted by: Andrew Clough, Director, Public Works

Subject: Purchase Order: Leader Industries for 4 Emergency Response Ambulances

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a purchase order with Leader Industries for 4 emergency response ambulances, for an amount not to exceed \$972,000.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

This purchase will not exceed \$972,000 and includes a pre-delivery inspection, California tire fees, shipping charges and sales tax. Funding is available in the FY 2014 Equipment Replacement Fund (Fund 860).

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

Three emergency response ambulances (vehicle numbers 1996, 1997 and 1998) have reached the end of their operational life and are due for replacement; and 1 new ambulance will be added to the fleet.

BACKGROUND

Public Works released an Invitation for Bids (IFB) Specification No. 14-10806-C in January 2014 for 4 new emergency response ambulances. Public Works and Finance General Services sourced ambulance manufacturers for fair and open competition, and 13 companies were sent notification.

The IFB was released for 18 days, and Leader Industries was the sole bidder who responded. Public Works Equipment Maintenance, General Services, and Fire Department staff reviewed the bid and it was determined that Leader Industries is 100% compliant with the bid requirements and specifications.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

Public Works Equipment Maintenance procures the most fuel-efficient vehicles and equipment available that are suitable for each task. In this case, there is only one model that meets our requirements for payload, cab room, and ride quality, and provides a low cab entry height for ease of access. These vehicles have fuel efficient MaxxFORCE 7 engines, biodiesel capability, and are certified for Clean Burn Technology. They also have On-Board Diagnostic computer systems that protect the environment from

excessive pollution. Energy-efficient LED lighting will be used, which saves carbon dioxide waste from leaking into the atmosphere. These features will help meet the Environmental Protection Agency's goal to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

The 4 new emergency response ambulances are necessary to maintain the community's health and welfare.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

None.

CONTACT PERSON

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Attachments:

1: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

PURCHASE ORDER: LEADER INDUSTRIES FOR FOUR EMERGENCY RESPONSE
AMBULANCES

WHEREAS, four (4) emergency response ambulances are needed by the Berkeley Fire Department to replace 3 ambulances (vehicle numbers 1996, 1997 and 1998) that have reached the end of their operational life, and add 1 new ambulance to the fleet; and

WHEREAS, on January 6, 2014 the Public Works Department issued Invitation for Bids Specification No. 14-10806-C for 4 new emergency response ambulances, and 13 ambulance companies were sent notification; and

WHEREAS, Leader Industries was the sole bidder that submitted a response, and after review it was determined that the bid was fully compliant with the bid requirements and specifications; and

WHEREAS, the cost for 4 emergency response ambulances will not exceed \$972,000 and funds are available in the FY 2014 Equipment Replacement Fund (860) budget.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute a purchase order for four emergency response ambulances with Leader Industries for an amount not to exceed \$972,000.

