



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR
January 15, 2008

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
 From: *PK* Phil Kamalarz, City Manager
 Submitted by: Claudette Ford, Director, Public Works
 Subject: Purchase Order: Western Truck Center for Two Drop Box Trucks

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to purchase two drop box trucks from Western Truck Center for a total amount not to exceed \$451,693.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

Funding for the two drop box trucks is available in FY 2008 in the Equipment Replacement Fund account 860-5703-410-7042.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

In order to conduct daily business, the Solid Waste Division of Public Works needs the drop box trucks to pick up debris boxes from City customers who pay for this service. The City currently has two trucks to handle this service. The current trucks in use have reached their life cycle and need to be replaced.

BACKGROUND

The Solid Waste Division utilizes the drop box/roll off trucks to service City customers who use debris boxes. The trucks that are now in use are 1993 and 1994 models and need to be replaced according to the vehicle replacement schedule.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

The Public Works Department solicited bids for this requirement. Four vendors were solicited to submit bids and the bid request was posted on the City's website and in front of Council Chambers. TEC of California returned non-responsive bid package stating that they were not able to provide a CNG Low Emission engine as specified. The only other response was from Western Truck Center. Due to the complex design and specifications of equipping a roll off truck with a CNG Low Emission engine and fuel system which very few manufacturers are able to provide, staff does not believe that undergoing another bid process will solicit a lower bid. Thus, staff recommends that we accept Western Truck Center's bid.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

None.

CONTACT PERSON

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Attachment:

1. Resolution

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

PURCHASE ORDER: WESTERN TRUCK CENTER FOR TWO DROP BOX TRUCKS

WHEREAS, two new trucks are needed to replace the current drop box/roll off trucks which are over ten years old; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Department Solid Waste Division requires two drop box trucks to serve up to fifteen customers daily who use and pay fees for debris boxes; and

WHEREAS, an invitation for bid was issued on October 4, 2007; and

WHEREAS, Western Truck Center submitted a bid for two drop box trucks will be \$451,693; and

WHEREAS, Western Truck Center is the lowest responsive and responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for this purchase in the FY 2008 budget in the Equipment Replacement Fund 860-5703-410-7042.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is authorized to execute purchase orders for two drop box trucks from Western Truck Center in an amount not to exceed \$451,693.

