



City of Rochester Hills
AGENDA SUMMARY
FINANCIAL ITEMS

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Legislative File No: 2015-0550

TO: Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Allan Schneck, P.E., Director Department of Public Services

DATE: January 11, 2016

SUBJECT: Purchase Authorization for Replacement Vehicles for 2016

REQUEST:

City Council is requested to authorize the purchase of six (6) new vehicles (1 compact excavator tow vehicle, replacements for 39-185, 39-275, 39-281, 39-283, 39-284) from Red Holman Buick GMC, Westland, Michigan in the amount of \$159,827.00, and one (1) new vehicle (replacement for 39-178) in the amount of \$19,095.00 from Snethkamp Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep Ram, Lansing, Michigan for a total purchase cost not-to-exceed \$178,922.00.

REASON FOR PURCHASE:

The City's fleet equipment policy, which includes a replacement timetable, was created in 1988 to provide a responsible program and process for the practical maintenance and replacement of the City's vehicles and equipment. Proactive and scheduled replacement addresses the issue of replacing a vehicle having relatively low miles but may have seen severe service and or high engine run hours.

Vehicle manufacturers allot a very small percentage of their order schedules for fleet vehicles. Order cut-off is typically slated for the first quarter of the model year. It is important that the City expedite the purchase of the vehicles to avoid missing the manufacturers order cut-off date. If the cut-off date is missed, the vehicles would have to be purchased at retail, or the vehicles in need of replacement could incur additional repair and or maintenance costs from not being replaced.

The City purchases vehicles through the Oakland County Cooperative Purchase Program and the State of Michigan MIDEAL extended purchase program. Additional cooperative contracts available for the City's use were reviewed to verify that the Oakland County and State of Michigan's Cooperative Purchase Programs continue to offer vehicles to meet the City's needs at the lowest available cost. Vehicles are purchased through the Oakland County Cooperative Purchase program and State of Michigan's MIDEAL program at a cost significantly lower than retail.

Surplus vehicles are disposed of through the Michigan Intergovernmental Trade Network (MITN) on-line auctions by Purchasing. Fleet management best practices identify 20% as a target rate of return to receive from an initial investment of a vehicle. Over the past year utilizing the MITN on-line auction site the City has been realizing a 30% rate of return from the initial investment of the vehicle. Purchasing the vehicles at a significant discount and selling them at auction before significant operating costs are incurred has resulted in relatively low life cycle costs to the City.

PROCESS:

Vendor Name and Address:

Red Holman Buick GMC
35300 Ford Road
Westland, MI 48185

Snethkamp Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, Ram
6131 Pennsylvania Ave.
Lansing, MI. 49203

Reason for Selection:

Oakland County Cooperative Purchasing Program
Michigan MIDEAL Cooperative Purchasing Program

Method of Purchase:

Purchase Order

BUDGET:

Funding is included in the FY 2016 Adopted Budget. If approved by City Council, Fiscal shall bring forth a 1st Quarter 2016 Budget Amendment to increase the expense budget with the additional funding to be drawn from Fleet Fund Retained Earnings.

It should be noted that Fiscal conservatively estimates a 10% target rate of return on surplus vehicle sales. Recent experience shows the current market return on City surplus vehicle sales as closer to 30%, meaning that higher revenues on the surplus vehicle sales than conservatively budgeted are anticipated which will offset the impact on Retained Earnings. Once the vehicles are sold (and the actual surplus auction amounts are known), a 4th Quarter 2016 Budget Amendment will be presented.

Fund Name	Department Account No	Account No. Description	Budget Amount	Cost	Remaining Budget
Fleet	661.981000	Capital - Vehicles	\$164,240.00	\$178,922.00	(\$14,682.00)

RECOMMENDATION:

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APPROVALS:	SIGNATURE	DATE
Department Review		
Department Director		
Budget Content: Finance Director		
Purchasing Process: Supervisor of Procurement		
Mayor		
City Council Liaison		