

# City of Rochester Hills AGENDA SUMMARY FINANCIAL ITEMS

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Legislative File No: 2019-0484

TO: Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Sean Canto, Chief of Fire and Emergency Services

DATE: November 11, 2019

**SUBJECT:** Two (2) Pierce Enforcer Pumpers

#### **REQUEST:**

City Council is requested to authorize the purchase of two (2) 2000 GPM Pierce Enforcer Pumpers in the amount of \$551,346.00 with a project contingency in the amount of \$30,159.85 for Truck 1 and \$540,419.00 with a project contingency in the amount of \$29,613.50 for Truck 2 for a purchase amount not-to-exceed \$1,151,538.35 to Halt Fire, Wixom, Michigan.

### **REASON FOR PURCHASE:**

In 2015, the City, acting as the Lead Agency on behalf of themselves and the Charter Township of Washington, issued a Request for Proposals for the purchase of Fire Apparatus. This proposal was developed with the intent of procuring fire apparatus meeting the entities specifications, and to create a contract that would offer a comprehensive list of fire apparatus, fire apparatus equipment, and related services for a possible contract term of five years. The intent of the RFP was to create a comprehensive cooperative contract for entities of the MITN purchasing cooperative group to utilize, and aggregate volumes of the agencies to generate best value offers from Fire Apparatus vendors.

The proposal process consisted of two stages; proposal review and interviews/equipment demonstrations. Proposal responses were evaluated by the City of Rochester Hills Fire and Fleet personnel, as well as representatives from participating communities. From the proposal review process the evaluation committee subsequently requested interviews and equipment demonstrations from the two proposers. Based on the proposal review and interviews/demonstrations Halt Fire Incorporated was selected and unanimously supported by the entities as providing best value, a quality product, exceptional services, ongoing training program, auditable process for calculating pre-payment discounts and offering most comprehensive contract options to meet all of the entities needs. The selection was supported by several positive references received from other communities utilizing Halt Fire Incorporated, as well as the City's own past positive experiences with Halt Fire Incorporated services, inclusive of parts delivery and service. City Council at its December 7, 2015 Regular Meeting approved the award of the contract to Halt Fire as the distributor with Pierce Manufacturing as the manufacturer of the apparatus. Since approval of this contract, the contract has proved to be a benefit for several other government agencies who have made purchases off this contract.

As part of this contract, the City was able to secure pricing that includes discounted apparatus, apparatus equipment, and parts pricing for multiple years, with a variety of body, chassis, and equipment offerings for the apparatus to ensure this cooperative contract would be beneficial, and provide a solution to meet agencies needs across the MITN cooperative. This has also allowed the Fire Department to budget more accurately for apparatus replacement and maintenance over the length of this RFP.

The City's request is to purchase two (x2) 2000 GPM Pierce Enforcer Pumpers. A project contingency is being requested due to the custom build process of the apparatus, as unknown issues could come to light and additional equipment/services may be needed in order for the apparatus to be built completely and as specified. This custom built process allows the City to build and purchase an apparatus which fits our needs.

Recently, the Department of Public Services / Fleet Division found significant corrosion on several of the department's current vehicle frames and torque boxes. One of these apparatus was one (1) of two (2) still in service that were purchased from American LaFrance. In 2014, American LaFrance went of business for the second time as well as previously filing bankruptcy in 2008. Unfortunately, this has left the ability to get parts and maintenance support unavailable since not only has the company closed their production facilities, but also their warehouse and service facilities.

This apparatus was slated to be replaced in 2020, however taking advantage of the current Pierce Mfg. contract positions the City will not only to see a significant cost savings, but also prevents additional costs with the 2019 and 2020 price increases that have averaged 3 to 5 percent per year. Additionally, the build time for these apparatus is 8 to 10 months which means a late 2020 delivery.

Any apparatus retired will be disposed of through public surplus auction.

### PROCESS:

#### **Vendor Name and Address:**

Halt Fire Incorporated 50168 W. Pontiac Trail Unit 5 Wixom, MI 48393

## **Reason for Selection:**

Best Value/Cooperative Contract

### Method of Purchase:

Purchase Order

#### **BUDGET:**

Funding is included in the Adopted FY 2020 Budget.

Fund Name	Department Account No	Account No. Description	2020 Budget Amount	2020 Cost	2020 Remaining Budget
Fire Capital Fund	402.981000	Vehicles / Engine #1	\$670,000.00	\$581,505.85	+\$88,494.15
Fire Capital Fund	402.981000	Vehicles / Engine #4	\$670,000.00	\$570,032.50	+\$99,967.50
		GRAND TOTAL	\$1,340,000.00	\$1,151,538.35	+\$188,461.65

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that City Council authorize the purchase of two (2) 2000 GPM Pierce Enforcer Pumpers in the amount of \$551,346.00 with a project contingency in the amount of \$30,159.85 for Truck 1 and \$540,419.00 with a project contingency in the amount of \$29,613.50 for Truck 2 for a total purchase amount not-to-exceed \$1,151,538.35 to Halt Fire, Wixom, Michigan.

APPROVALS:	SIGNATURE	DATE
Department Review	9-7. Wo	11/01/19
Department Director	9-7. Wo	11/01/19
Budget Content: Chief Financial Officer		
Purchasing Process: Supervisor of Procurement		
Mayor		
Deputy Clerk		

Contract Reviewed by City Attorney  $\ \square$  Yes  $\ \boxtimes$  N/A

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