



**City of Rochester Hills
AGENDA SUMMARY
FINANCIAL ITEMS**

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Legislative File No: 2009-0170

TO: Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Ron Crowell – Fire Chief
DATE: April 23, 2009
SUBJECT: Purchase of four (4) Additional Duty Ambulances

REQUEST:

City Council is requested to approve the purchase of four (4) Additional Duty Ambulances from Emergency Vehicles Plus, Holland, Michigan in the amount not-to-exceed \$618,891.00.

REASON FOR PURCHASE:

The Fire Department currently operates five (5) ambulances providing medical transport service to our residents and visitors. Four (4) of the existing ambulances are eight (8) years old. The ambulances requested to be replaced are 2001 and were scheduled to be replaced in 2007. At that time based on the miles, condition, and maintenance, the department decided that the replacement could be extended by a year or two. At this time based on the age, condition, and maintenance, the ambulances are in need of replacement.

Request for Proposals were solicited, received and evaluated. Negotiations proceeded with the company providing the lowest cost proposal. Emergency Vehicles Plus, the sales center for Wheel Coach, is the recommended company for award, based on cost and good past experience with equipment.

Wheel Coach Ambulance is one of the largest, if not the largest ambulance manufacture in the country. Emergency Vehicles Plus although located in Holland, Michigan has a warranty service mechanic locally. This mechanic has provided warranty work on City apparatus in the past and is a very knowledgeable and reliable mechanic.

The new ambulances are equipped with features such as an air ride lowering system, which lowers the back of the unit when loading patients. They are also equipped with power stretchers, which reduce the bending, and lifting when loading and unloading patients. Both of these features combined will reduce injury to personnel thereby reducing the cost to the City for employee injuries.

PROCESS:

Vendor Name and Address:

Emergency Vehicles Plus
670 East 16th Street
Holland, Michigan, 49423

Reason for Selection:
Lowest Cost; Best Value

Method of Purchase:
Purchase Order

BUDGET:

The funds are included in the 2009 Fire Capital Fund for a total of \$640,000.00; this includes a 2009 first quarter budget amendment moving \$280,000.00 from 2008 budget and an increase of \$40,000.00.

Fund Name	Department Account No	Account No. Description	Budget Amount	Cost	Remaining Budget
Fire Capital	402981000	Capital Outlay Vehicles	\$640,000.00	\$618,891.00	\$21,109.00

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Rochester Hills City Council authorize the purchase of four (4) Additional Duty Ambulances from Emergency Vehicles Plus, Holland, Michigan, in the amount not-to-exceed \$618,891.00.

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