

City of Rochester Hills AGENDA SUMMARY FINANCIAL ITEMS

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Legislative File No: 2008-0549

TO: Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Pamela M. Lee, Human Resources, ext.2521

DATE: October 17, 2008

SUBJECT: Employee Group Life/ADD and Disability Insurance

REQUEST:

Request for approval of an extension of the contract and approval of a blanket purchase order in the amount of \$509,000, payable to CIGNA Group Insurance for employee group life/ADD and disability insurance through December 31, 2010.

REASON FOR PURCHASE:

In October 2006, Council authorized a blanket purchase through December 2008 in the amount of \$395,000. An additional \$56,000 is currently needed to amend to the blanket purchase amount for the remainder of 2008. This shortfall comes as a result of a 15% short-term disability (STD) rate increase for 2008. Rate increases in 2007 and 2008 were due to high claim cost ratios in the preceding years.

A reduction in life insurance premium, with a rate guarantee through 2010 on all lines of coverage has been negotiated with our current carrier, CIGNA. A request for proposals for these lines of coverage did not yield responses from alternative carriers that were sufficiently competitive to warrant a change at this time. Therefore, renewal of our policy with CIGNA is recommended and \$453,000 is requested for estimated premium payments through 2010.

PROCESS:

Vendor Name and Address:

CIGNA Group Insurance 26913 Northwestern Hwy., 6530 Third Floor Southfield, MI 48034

Reason for Selection:

Cost, quality customer service, ability to vary from industry standards in compliance with labor agreements.

Method of Purchase:

Blanket Purchase Order

BUDGET:

The policy renewal for 2009 will maintain our current rates through December 2010 on all lines of coverage.

	Department	Account No.	'08 Budget		Remaining
Fund Name	Account No	Description	Amount	2008 Cost	Budget
All	All	718000, 719000	85,000	56,000	22,900
	Department	Account No.	'09 Budget		Remaining
Fund Name	Account No	Description	Amount	2009 Cost	Budget
All	All	718000, 719000	248,000	224,000	24,000
			Proposed		
	Department	Account No.	2010 Budget		Remaining
Fund Name	Account No	Description	Amount	2010 Cost	Budget
All	All	718000, 719000	229,000	229,000	0

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval to extend the current contract and approve a blanket purchase order through December 31, 2010 payable to CIGNA Group Insurance in the amount of \$509,000 is recommended.

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