



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, February 14, 2017

Council Session

Item G-5

**#2017-20 - Approving Purchase of Coal Dozer for Platte
Generating Station**

Staff Contact: Tim Luchsinger, Stacy Nonhof

Council Agenda Memo

From: Timothy G. Luchsinger, Utilities Director
Stacy Nonhof, Assistant City Attorney

Meeting Date: February 14, 2017

Subject: Approving Purchase of a 2017 Dozer Loader for Platte Generating Station

Presenter(s): Timothy G. Luchsinger, Utilities Director

Background

Platte Generating Station utilizes two wheeled dozers for handling of coal used in the production of electricity. These are critical pieces of machinery to maintain reliable operation of the Platte Generating Station.

One dozer was purchased in 1980 for the initial operation of the plant and has 40,243 hours with two rebuilds, with 12,817 hours since the last rebuild. The second dozer was purchased in 1999 and has 29,700 hours, and was rebuilt in 2009. A dozer is usually rebuilt every 15,000 hours and the current cost of a rebuild is \$500,000.

Replacing the original dozer and assigning the 2009 dozer to support activities will delay the rebuild required for it and should allow both dozers to be utilized for the expected life of Platte Generating Station.

Discussion

The City of Grand Island City Council approved the use of the National Joint Powers Alliance Buying Group (NJPA) with Resolution 2014-326.

To meet competitive bidding requirements, the Utilities Department obtained pricing from the NJPA Contract No. 032515 awarded to Caterpillar.

Utilities Department staff is recommending the purchase of the Wheel Dozer Loader from Nebraska Machinery Company (NMC Cat) in the amount of \$980,898.00.

An amount of \$1,000,000.00 was included in the 2016-2017 FY budget for this purchase.

Alternatives

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand. The Council may:

1. Move to approve
2. Refer the issue to a Committee
3. Postpone the issue to future date
4. Take no action on the issue

Recommendation

City Administration recommends that Council approve the purchase of a 2017 Wheel Dozer Loader from NMC Cat for a purchase price of \$980,898.00.

Sample Motion

Move to approve the purchase of a 2017 Wheel Dozer Loader from NMC Cat for a purchase price of \$980,898.00.

RESOLUTION 2017-20

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island Production Division of the Utilities Department budgeted for a 2017 Coal Dozer in the current budget; and

WHEREAS, on October 28, 2014 with Resolution 2014-326, the City Council approved the use of the National Joint Powers Alliance Buying Group (NJPA) to meet competitive bidding requirements; and

WHEREAS, to meet competitive bidding requirements, the Utilities Department obtained pricing from the NJPA Contract No. 032515 awarded to Caterpillar, such bid being in the amount of \$980,898.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the purchase of a 2017 Coal Dozer from the NJPA Contract No. 032515 in the amount of \$980,898.00 is hereby approved.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, February 14, 2017.

Jeremy L. Jensen, Mayor

Attest:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form	▣ _____
February 10, 2017	▣ City Attorney