



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, December 8, 2020

Council Session

Item G-18

#2020-333 - Approving Purchase of a 2020 Braun Type I Ambulance

Staff Contact: Cory Schmidt, Fire Chief

Council Agenda Memo

From: Cory Schmidt, Fire Chief

Meeting: December 8, 2020

Subject: Purchase Braun Type I Ambulance

Presenter(s): Cory Schmidt, Fire Chief
Russ Blackburn, EMS Division Chief

Background

The Grand Island Fire Department (GIFD) maintains a fleet of seven ambulances. There are two ambulances at Stations 1, 2, and 4 and one ambulance at Station 3. Station 1 and 2 ambulances are staffed every day to respond to medical calls. If staffing allows, a third ambulance is placed in service at Station 4. If medical calls exceed the number of staffed ambulances, the crew from an engine company will transfer to a back-up ambulance and respond with advanced life support capability. This is possible because every engine company has a paramedic on it. During 2019, the highest number of ambulances we had out on calls simultaneously was five. Each month, the GIFD experiences multiple ambulance calls where 3 to 4 ambulances are being utilized at the same time.

The GIFD's vehicle replacement plan calls for the purchase of an ambulance every other year. This means that an ambulance will be used for 8 years as a primary ambulance and then rotated to back-up duty for an additional 6 years. Then when ambulances reach 14 years of service they are retired and replaced.

Discussion

City Council approved the purchase of an ambulance in the 2020/2021 budget for a budgeted amount \$315,000. The Fire Department would like to replace a 17 year old 2003 Ford type III ambulance. That ambulance has 93,875 miles on it in 4760 hours of operation.

The GIFD requests that Council approves the purchase a 2020 Braun Chief XL Modular Ambulance on a 2020 Ford F550, 4X4, diesel chassis for \$304,500.00 from North Central Emergency Vehicles of Lester Prairie, Minnesota. The ambulance will be purchased through the cooperative buying group, BuyHGAC, which meets City procurement requirements. The ambulance will be paid for upon delivery in approximately 240 days. The ambulance will come prewired for our communications

radio, an Opticom preemptive device, the Stryker Power-load/Power cot, and GIFD graphics. These four things are usually additional expenses after the ambulance is delivered.

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 the Council approve the purchase of the 2020 Braun Chief XL Modular Ambulance on a 2020 Ford F550, 4X4, diesel chassis for \$304,500.00 for use by the GIFD for emergency service use.

Sample Motion

Move to approve the purchase of the 2020 Braun Chief XL Modular Ambulance on a 2020 Ford F550, 4X4, diesel chassis for use by the GIFD for emergency service use from North Central Emergency Vehicles of Lester Prairie, Minnesota in an amount of \$304,500.00.



Quotation

3800 W. Cavalry Court
 Lincoln, NE 68528
 402-617-5385

DATE December 1, 2020
Quotation # 2020-110
Customer ID GI Fire

Bill To:

Grand Island Fire & Rescue
 100 East First Street
 Grand Island, NE 68801
 rblackburn@grand-island.com

Quotation valid until: December 30, 2020

Prepared by: Dave Herbers

Comments or special instructions: 240 Days Leadtime

Description	AMOUNT
2021 Braun Chief XL Modular Ambulance and 2021 Ford F550, 4X4, Diesel, Chassis.	\$264,000.00
Paint and Graphics to Match Existing Fleet, Included in Base	
Dealer supplied Stryker Power Load & Power Cot System, Factory Installed	\$40,500.00
Grand Island Fire to Provide UFH Radio for Factory Install	
TOTAL	\$304,500.00

If you have any questions concerning this quotation, Dave Herbers, 402-617-5385, nesales@northcentralambulance.com

THANK YOU FOR YOUR BUSINESS!

RESOLUTION 2020-333

WHEREAS, the City Council approved the purchase of a Braun Chief XL Modular Ambulance in the 2020/2021 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department needs to replace a 2003 ambulance with 93,875 miles to make the fleet of ambulances and emergency response more reliable; and

WHEREAS, North Central Emergency Vehicles of Lester Prairie, Minnesota has submitted a cost through BuyHGAC for a 2020 Braun Chief XL Modular Ambulance on a 2020 Ford F550, 4X4, diesel chassis for less than the budgeted amount for the replacement of an ambulance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, to allow the Fire Department to purchase the 2020 Braun Chief XL Modular Ambulance on a 2020 Ford F550, 4X4, diesel chassis from North Central Emergency Vehicles of Lester Prairie, Minnesota for the price of \$304,500.00.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, December 8, 2020.

Roger G. Steele, Mayor

Attest:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form	☒ _____
December 4, 2020	☒ City Attorney