



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, July 9, 2013

Council Session

Item G-12

#2013-223 - Approving Purchase of 2014 Smeal Fire Pumper Truck

Staff Contact: Cory Schmidt, Fire Chief

Council Agenda Memo

From: Cory Schmidt, Fire Chief
Meeting: July 9, 2013
Subject: Fire Pumper Purchase
Item #'s: G-12
Presenter(s): Cory Schmidt , Fire Chief

Background

The Grand Island Fire Department was authorized a budget of approximately \$700,000 for capital items in the fiscal year 2012-13. An obvious capital need was to replace aging emergency vehicles. This need was reinforced by the increasing maintenance costs associated with the fleet. The Grand Island Fire Department is seeking to purchase a fire pumper which will allow a 1995 model to be placed in reserve or back up status. The purchase of a new pumper will also allow the removal of a 1987 fire pumper from our fleet.

Discussion

The Grand Island Fire Department contacted the Houston Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) to obtain pricing for fire pumpers that will meet the needs of the citizens of Grand Island. The H-GAC provided a list of prequalified vendors and their equipment that have met the competitive bidding requirements of the City of Grand Island. From the list, a 2014 fire pumper from Smeal Fire Apparatus was chosen at a price of \$490,491.75. This pumper utilizes modern technology which increases safety and efficiency. A Compressed Air Foam System (CAFS), which was recommended by the ICMA study, is one of the features of the fire pumper.

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 approves the purchase of a fire pumper from Smeal Fire Apparatus at a price of \$490,491.75.

Sample Motion

Move to approve the purchase a Smeal Fire Apparatus fire pumper utilizing the H-GAC for \$490,491.75.

RESOLUTION 2013-223

WHEREAS, the Grand Island Fire Department was budgeted funds to purchase a fire pumper; and

WHEREAS, the H-GAC was utilized to secure competitive bids in accordance with City procurement policy; and

WHEREAS, a 2014 fire pumper manufactured by Smeal Fire Apparatus of Snyder Nebraska was chosen based on price, body configuration, auxiliary equipment, warranty, and service at a purchase price of \$490,491.75.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that a purchase order and subsequent payment is authorized for the Smeal fire pumper is hereby approved.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, July 9, 2013.

Jay Vavricek, Mayor

Attest:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form	☒ _____
July 8, 2013	☒ City Attorney