



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, February 14, 2012

Council Session

## Item G9

**#2012-31 - Approving Purchase of 2012 Utility Truck - Water  
Division, Utilities Department**

Staff Contact: Tim Luchsinger

# **Council Agenda Memo**

**From:** Timothy Luchsinger, Utilities Director  
Jason Eley, Assistant City Attorney/Purchasing

**Meeting:** February 14, 2012

**Subject:** Water Utility Service Truck

**Item #'s:** G-9

**Presenter(s):** Timothy Luchsinger, Utilities Director

## **Background**

The Water Division of the Utilities Department budgeted \$50,000 to replace a water service truck this year. Sid Dillon Ford Lincoln Mercury was awarded a state bid for this type of vehicle after competitive bidding under State Contract #13137OC. The bid price with applicable options is \$46,802.00.

## **Discussion**

The State contract truck is a Ford F250 with an installed utility body to facilitate storage of tools and service equipment. The truck to be replaced is Unit #92, a 1999 Dodge ¾ ton truck with utility box. This unit is the water service call vehicle, which, besides use during normal working hours during the week, is also taken home by the on-call staff. This truck is not garaged and must be available for use 24/7 in all types of weather. The current truck has over 94,000 miles of in-town and worksite use, which means greater operating hours in relation to miles than a typical vehicle. In addition to scheduled maintenance, over \$8,000 has been spent on this vehicle for repairs to ball-joints, tie-rods, fuel pump, water pump, axle seals, emissions system and brakes. The cost of the new truck is less than the approved 2012 budgeted amount, and purchases through the State contracts are in compliance with City purchasing procedures. Standard disposal policy of the old truck will be to solicit interest from other City departments, and if none, sold at the Police auction.

## **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 2012 Ford F250 with utility bed from Sid Dillon Ford Lincoln Mercury of Crete, Nebraska in the amount of \$46,802.00.

### **Sample Motion**

Move to the purchase of the 2012 Ford F250 with utility bed from Sid Dillon Ford Lincoln Mercury of Crete, Nebraska in the amount of \$46,802.00.

RESOLUTION 2012-31

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island Water Utility will purchase one (1) 2012 Water Utility Service Truck; and

WHEREAS, Sid Dillon Ford Lincoln Mercury was awarded the state bid for this vehicle after competitive bidding under State Contract #1317OC; and

WHEREAS, the Water Department budgeted \$50,000 for this truck, and the State Contract price of \$46,802.00 is within this budgeted amount.

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.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, February 14, 2012.

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Jay Vavricek, Mayor

Attest:

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk