



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#16-0083

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: February 2, 2016

TITLE: Motion to Approve the Purchase of an Excavator, Backhoe, and Dump
Truck – Nortrax, Inc. – \$366,302

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve the purchase of an excavator, backhoe, and dump truck via Florida Sheriffs Association Contract 15-13-0904 from Nortrax, Inc. in the total amount of \$366,302.

Background

The purchase of the excavator (\$125,799), backhoe (\$117,496), and dump truck (\$123,007) is to replace vehicle 5426 (Exhibit 1) vehicle 5815 (Exhibit 2) and vehicle 5841 (Exhibit 3). The City operates and maintains over 1,300 miles of underground sewer and water infrastructure. The Public Works Department's Utilities Division is often required to excavate and expose critical infrastructure for underground repairs and replacement. Dump trucks are used daily to haul, clean and fill construction materials at work sites. Backhoes are used for excavating, backfilling, trenching and loading or unloading of material.

It is essential that this construction equipment functions properly for ensuring the efficient and effective resiliency of City infrastructure. Additionally, excavators, dump trucks and backhoes are assets throughout the response for natural emergencies such as hurricanes and tornadoes and they play a critical role during post disaster recovery, debris collections, and roadway openings.

Pursuant to Section 2-189, Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, the City may purchase proprietary items, as defined in Section 2-173, without the necessity of public bids. Options in the amount of \$17,987 are not included in the options listed in the Florida Sheriffs Association contract but must be provided at the time of manufacture from the stated manufacturer. As defined by the Code, a proprietary item is not readily available from more than one supplier, manufacturer, or person and is unique in nature.

Resource Impact

There will be a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$366,302.

<i>Funds available as of January 8, 2016</i>					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	PURCHASE AMOUNT
450-PBS660402-6416	Pipe Construction	Capital Outlay/ Vehicles	\$525,400	\$383,554	\$248,806
470-PBS660502-6416	Stormwater Operations / Storm Drain Repair	Capital Outlay/ Vehicles	\$158,200	\$158,200	\$117,496
TOTAL →					\$366,302

Strategic Connections

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within the Infrastructure Cylinder of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 2: Be a sustainable and resilient community.
- Objective 1: Proactively maintain our water, wastewater, road, and bridge infrastructure.

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We are Ready*.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Excavator Worksheet and Proposal

Exhibit 2 – Backhoe Worksheet and Proposal

Exhibit 3 – Dump Truck Worksheet and Proposal

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