



Thursday, March 22, 2007

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**Purchasing Office
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

ITEM No 25

Subject Authorize award and execution of a contract through the TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT PURCHASING COOPERATIVE (BUYBOARD) with PHILPOTT MOTORS LTD Nederland TX for the purchase of 47 service body trucks in an amount not to exceed \$2 438 925 44

Amount and Source of Funding Funding in the amount of \$38 995 99 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006 2007 Vehicle Acquisition Fund Funding in the amount of \$1 392 878 04 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006 2007 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility Funding in the amount of \$874 951 72 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006 2007 Capital Budget of the Austin Energy Department Funding in the amount of \$44 421 49 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006 2007 Capital Budget of the Solid Waste Services Department Funding in the amount of \$87 678 20 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006 2007 Capital Budget of the Department of Public Works Street & Bridge Division

Fiscal Note Fiscal notes are attached

**Additional Backup
Material**

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- ☐ PWD_Fiscal Note
 - ☐ AWU Fiscal Note
 - ☐ AE Fiscal Note 1_4
 - ☐ AE Fiscal Note 2_4
 - ☐ AE Fiscal Note 3_4
 - ☐ AE Fiscal Note 4_4
 - ☐ SWS Fiscal Note
- Service Trucks 032207**

For More Information Ron Mazzarella Fleet Buyer/974 2837

Purchasing Language Cooperative Purchase

This contract provides for the purchase of three new and 44 replacement service body trucks that will be assigned to the Parks and Recreation Department Austin Water Utility Austin Energy Solid Waste Services Department Street & Bridge Division of the Public Works Department Included in this purchase are the following service body trucks

PARKS AND RECREATION 1 Ford F 350 Platform Welding Service Truck Replacement

AUSTIN WATER UTILITY 6 Ford F 550 4X4 Canopy Body Trucks Replacement 8 Ford F 550 4X2 Crew Cab Service Body Trucks Replacement 4 Ford F 350 Extended Cab Service Body Crane Trucks 4x2 Replacement 9 Ford F 350 Extended Cab Service Body Trucks 4x2 Replacement **AUSTIN ENERGY** 1 Ford F 450 Service Body Trucks 4X2 Replacement 15 Ford F 450 Service Body Trucks 4X4 13 Replacement 2 New

SOLID WASTE SERVICES 1 Ford F 350 Platform Welding Service Truck Replacement PUBLIC WORKS
STREET & BRIDGE 1 Ford F 450 Crew Cab Platform Service Body Truck 4X2 Replacement 1 Ford F 550
Crew Cab Platform Dump Service Truck 4X2 New

This contract includes the purchase of 47 service body trucks for a total dollar amount of \$2 438 925 44. The vehicles in this RCA have been recommended for purchase utilizing a process that involves the Fleet Officer, affected Department Directors and Assistant City Managers (ACMs). ACM approval is required for all new additions to the City's fleet prior to any requests being made to the Purchasing Office.

Departments review the list of vehicles determined eligible for replacement by Fleet Services based on mileage, hours of use, and maintenance costs. From that list, priority uses are determined within the departments, and the departments' proposed equipment is reviewed by the Fleet Service Center Manager to insure the specified vehicle is appropriate for the use.

Of the 44 replacement vehicles, all have met the Fleet Officer's eligibility criteria for replacement. The Fleet Service Center Managers have inspected each vehicle to be replaced and determined that the mileage or hours of use of each piece proposed for replacement cannot be increased without risking a significant increase in repair costs and loss of productivity due to down time. The 3 new pieces of equipment were also sent to Fleet Services and forwarded to the appropriate ACM for approval.

All of the vehicles are powered by diesel fuel. There are currently no alternative fuel options available on the market for these types of diesel engines. The City purchases the cleanest diesel fuel available in the Austin area. The trucks that are replaced are taken out of service and are sold thru an auction administered by Fleet Services.

Philpott Motors is under contract with the BuyBoard to supply various types of vehicles statewide as a result of a competitive bidding process. Utilizing the BuyBoard contracts provides for volume discount pricing as well as the earliest opportunity to get the City's equipment on order.