



**Purchasing Contract
CITY OF AUSTIN
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

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SUBJECT: Authorize execution of a contract through the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (BuyBoard) with LONGHORN INTERNATIONAL TRUCKS LTD, Austin, TX, for a low-entry truck cab and chassis for the Solid Waste Services Department in an amount not to exceed \$99,297.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2003-2004 Approved Capital Budget of the Solid Waste Services Department.

FISCAL NOTE: A fiscal note is attached.

REQUESTING Purchasing
DEPARTMENT: for Solid Waste Services;
Financial and Administrative
Services - Fleet Services;

DIRECTOR'S
AUTHORIZATION: Vickie Schubert

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Rick Fudge, Supervising Sr. Buyer/974-2033

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

PURCHASING: Cooperative Purchase.

MBE / WBE: N/A

On July 29, 2004, City Unit No. 00G270, an automated side-load refuse collection truck was traveling to the next portion of the assigned route along South IH-35 when the engine compartment of the 2000 year-model refuse collection truck accidentally caught on fire, destroying the cab and chassis. The actual cause of the fire is currently unknown, but under investigation. The absence of this vehicle has reduced full-service functionality and created a gap in Solid Waste Services' (SWS) front-line service ability. It is imperative that this unit be replaced at the earliest possible time to restore SWS's responsiveness to serve the refuse customers for this automated collection route. Failure to replace this truck immediately will affect SWS' ability to continue refuse collection services in a timely manner and with the proper equipment since there is a limited number of reserve automated collection trucks.

The contract with Longhorn International will replace the burned low-entry truck cab and chassis with a new low-entry truck cab and chassis manufactured by Crane Carrier. The existing automated side-load refuse collection body, manufactured by Wayne, sustained minimal damage. An administrative award in an amount not to exceed \$19,853 will be made to Equipment Southwest, Inc., the nearest authorized Wayne dealer, to repair and replace damaged body components, repaint the body, and mount the body on the new truck cab and chassis.

The critical need for expedient replacement justifies the acquisition of equipment and repair services as a Public Health and Public Safety procurement. Quotes were received by Longhorn International for the truck chassis in an amount not to exceed \$99,297, and Equipment Southwest for the repair and mounting services on the existing refuse collection body in an amount not to exceed \$19,853. Both vendors are under contract with BuyBoard to supply this type of equipment and repair services statewide as a result of a competitive bidding process. Utilizing BuyBoard contracts will expedite the vehicle replacement



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process and return the unit to front-line service to residential customers.

**CIP
FISCAL NOTE**

DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

8/5/2004

WHERE ON AGENDA:

Resolution

DEPARTMENT:

Solid Waste Services

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FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Parent Project Name:	CAPITAL EQUIPMENT ADDITIONS
Project Authorization:	2003-04 Approved CIP Budget
Funding Source:	Current Revenue

Number: 4800-157-0102

Current Appropriation	\$ 3,855,000.00
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Unencumbered Balance	\$ 728,826.57
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Amount of This Action	<u>\$ 99,297.00</u>
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Remaining Balance	<u><u>\$ 629,529.57</u></u>
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Ref. #: 4800-157-0102

Department Signature: _____

Keith Murray

Date: _____

8/5/04