



**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 SIDDONS FIRE APPARATUS, INC., Houston, TX, for the purchase of one pumper and two ladder fire trucks for the Austin Fire Department in an amount not to exceed \$1,807,763.01.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Approved Operating Budget of Fleet Services, Financial Services Department.

FISCAL NOTE: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

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

**DIRECTOR'S
AUTHORIZATION:** Vickie Schubert

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Ron Mazzarella, Fleet Buyer/974-2837

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

PURCHASING: Cooperative Purchase.

MBE / WBE: N/A

This contract is for the purchase of one Quantum pumper truck and two Quint combination pumper and 105-foot ladder trucks manufactured by Pierce Manufacturing that will be assigned to the Austin Fire Department. The purchase price for the Quantum pumper truck is \$413,986.51 and \$696,888.25 for each of the Quint pumper/ladder trucks.

The Quantum pumper truck is equipped with a standard foam system, a 1000 gallon water tank, and a 1500 gallon per minute fire pump. This truck includes a 4-door custom-built crew cab with a fire pumper body capable of carrying a maximum of six firefighters.

The Quints are equipped with a 4-door custom-built cab, large water and foam tank, pump, and a 105-foot ladder. These units can pump water from a fire hydrant or their own water tank. The Quint trucks can carry up to six firefighters, and will be used in various capacities depending on the size and nature of the fire.

These three fire trucks are replacing three 1991-year model trucks that need to be removed from emergency service status due to age and overall condition.

Siddons Fire Apparatus is the authorized dealer for Pierce Manufacturing and is under contract with BuyBoard to provide complete fire trucks ready for service directly to the City. All of these trucks operate on diesel fuel, and will meet the current federal Environmental Protection Agency guidelines for emissions. The City is buying diesel with low sulfur content. There are no alternative fuel options for this



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application. The estimated delivery for these trucks is approximately nine months.

These units were awarded to Siddons Fire Apparatus on a competitive bid through BuyBoard.