## **Agenda Item Details**

Meeting Jul 09, 2024 - Bryan City Council Second Regular Meeting

Category 6. Statutory (Automatic Approval) Agenda - This agenda consists of items previously

approved by Council action such as adoption of items that are part of an approved budget or capital improvement projects, first and only readings of ordinances, interlocal agreements, or action that is required by law or delegated to the City Manager. Items may be removed from the statutory agenda for separate

consideration at the request of two Councilmembers.

Subject A. Approval to purchase two new fire engines from Metro Fire Apparatus Specialists,

Inc., through the Sourcewell® Contract for the not to exceed amount of \$2,976,528

Type Action (Statutory)

Preferred Date Jul 09, 2024

Absolute Date Jul 09, 2024

Fiscal Impact Yes

Dollar Amount 2,976,528.00

Budgeted Yes

Budget Source Pre-approved through Capital Improvement Plan

Goals Service

**Public Safety** 

# **Summary:**

The Fire Department respectfully requests City Council approval for a purchase order to be placed with Metro Fire Apparatus Specialists, Inc. through the Sourcewell® Contract. The total purchase price for this request is \$2,976,528, including all necessary equipment and accessories with delivery to the City of Bryan.

The requested purchase is for two new fire engines in amounts not to exceed \$1,488,264 per unit. Payment for one engine will be made with FY 2025 Bond Funds. Payment for the second engine will be made upon delivery, with expected delivery date in FY 2026, using FY 2026 Bond Funds.

These new fire engines will replace older units that will be sold, auctioned, or disposed in an appropriate manner. Each product and service available on Sourcewell® has been carefully and competitively bid and awarded based on Texas Statutes by the Local Government Purchasing Cooperative. This cooperative is a regional Council of Governments operating under the laws of the State of Texas and governed by a board comprised of 35 elected officials from a thirteen county region.

### **Staff Analysis and Recommendation:**

Current build times for fire engines range from 24 to 60 months from time of order depending on the manufacture. By purchasing these fire engines, public safety will be enhanced by maintaining a safe and reliable fleet of emergency response apparatus.

As a result of heavily used engines, the Bryan Fire Department's out of service time has increased because of increased mechanical issues and extended down time to obtain parts in this post COVID environment.

Currently the Department's fleet of eight (8) fire engines have the following miles:

- Unit 7-49 42,000 miles
- Unit 7-46 60,000 miles
- Unit 7-42 98,000 miles
- Unit 7-32 115,000 miles
- Unit 7-37 100,000 miles
- Unit 7-31 103,000 miles (reserve)

- Unit 7-24 123,000 miles (reserve)
- Unit 7-22 127,000 miles (reserve)

Due to the age and miles of the Department's current fleet of fire engines, if purchases for these replacements engines is not approved, out of service times will rise to the point where a functioning fire engine may not be available to mitigate fires at all five fire stations. By not replacing this equipment in the next 24 months, the Department's current fleet may compromise firefighter safety and effective emergency response to the citizens of Bryan.

Staff recommends approving the purchase of the new fire engines through the Sourcewell® Contract. These fire engines will replace older engines and will better ensure safe and reliable apparatus for emergency responses. Each time a new fire engine is purchased, the oldest/worn fire engine is put in the reserve fleet or sold/donated. The newer fire engines are in use every day and older units are in reserve status, to be used when other units are not available or during large scale incidents. By regularly replacing these vehicles and rotating out the older worn vehicles, a safe and reliable fleet is maintained.

#### **Options:**

- 1. Approve the purchase of the new fire engines.
- 2.Do not approve and maintain older apparatus.

#### Attachments:

1. Sourcewell Contract pricing sheet dated 06/18/2024.

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