

City of Tamarac
Interoffice Memorandum
Fire Department

To: Michael C. Cernech, City Manager
From: Percy Sayles, Fire Chief
Date: October 26, 2020
Re: **TR 13506– Purchase of new replacement Tamarac Fire Rescue vehicles**

Recommendation:

Place TR #13506 on the November 10, 2020, Commission Meeting Agenda for approval of the purchase of new and replacement vehicles approved in FY2021 in the amount not to exceed \$696,917.65; and authorize the appropriate City Officials to execute the purchase of said vehicles utilizing competitive procurement methods and current Agreements available for cooperative purchases.

Issue:

In accordance with the Fire Department vehicle replacement program, and to maintain overall safety, reliability and consistency among the emergency response and staff vehicles, the purchase of two (2) new advanced life support rescues and one (1) staff vehicle as approved in the FY2021 Budget.

Background:

Tamarac Fire Rescue Department budgeted to purchase two (2) new rescues Braun 2021 Model Super Chief on a 2022 Freightliner M2 Crew Cab Chassis to continue to standardize our rescue fleet and one (1) 2021 Ford F-150 Pickup Truck. Tamarac vehicle specifications were created by a Review Committee in 2014 and updated each replacement taking in consideration the safety of personnel, service to our patients and long-term service life.

A competitive bid for fire rescue vehicles solicited by the Florida Fire Chiefs' Association, and Florida Sheriff's Association provided for piggybacking by local government agencies. The units were recommended for award to Ten-8 Equipment Inc. and Duval Ford.

To maintain uniformity and performance within the Fire Department fleet, Tamarac Fire Rescue Department is proposing to purchase the two (2) Braun Rescue Vehicles, through Ten-8 Equipment Inc., and one (1) Ford F-150 Pickup Truck through Duval Ford.

As part of the vehicle replacement plan for the Fire Rescue Department, the two (2) new rescue vehicles will replace units 367 and 368 as front-line units, and one (1) Ford Pickup Truck will replace unit 364. Units 367 and 368 will become part of reserve units. Unit 364 is at the end of its useful life and will be auctioned (See Table #1). Vehicle document specifications, quotes and trade in amount are attached hereto as Exhibit 1 and 2, respectively.

Fire Rescue units 362 and 363 currently in reserved status have reached the end of their useful life and will be traded in.

In order to expedite the purchase of the units, the Tamarac Fire Rescue Department would propose we again utilize the competitive bid for fire rescue vehicles solicited by the Florida Fire Chiefs Association in partnership with Florida Sheriff's Association Contract FSA20-VEF14.01 Type 1, and Florida Sheriffs Association Contract FSA20-VEH 18.0, attached here to as Backups 3 and 4 respectively. By using these existing bids, the City will be able to save significant time and administrative expenses.

City of Tamarac Code §6-148 allows the Purchasing Officer the authority to waive purchasing procedures and purchase vehicles which is the subject of contracts with other governmental agencies.

The Fire Chief, Director of Financial Service, and the Purchasing and Contracts Manager are recommending that it is in the City's economic interests to purchase these new replacement vehicles and utilize the current agreement available for cooperative purchase.

The following strategic City's goal is met through these acquisitions:

Goal #2 – Tamarac is Safe and People Know It (quick emergency response) enhancing the safety of personnel, transport of our patients and long-term service life.

Fiscal Impact

The purchase price of individual rescue vehicles may vary slightly due to the variable cost of aftermarket/dealer-installed equipment; therefore, we have included a 5% contingency allowance for additional parts, accessories and other equipment which may be added by the manufacturer or installed after-market.

The proposed purchase cost of Tamarac Fire vehicles is detailed in Table #1 as follows:

Qty.	Year/Make/Model	Account No.	Projected Total Cost	Total Cost
2	2021 Braun Super Chief Ambulance built on 2022 Freightliner M2 Crew Cab Chassis Trade in of 2 Rescues (#362/363) Final Purchase Price less trade in	301-4520-522-6405	\$ 332,934	\$ 663,868 <u>\$ 41,000</u> \$ 622,868
1	2021 Ford F-150 ½ Ton Crew Cab Special Service Pickup Truck 4x2 (W1C)	301-4520-522-6405	\$ 42,906.25	\$42,906.25
	5% Total Contingency Rescues Cost			\$ 31,143.40
	TOTAL APPROVAL REQUEST:			\$ 696,917.65

The total expenditure will not exceed the amount approved via this proposed Resolution of \$696,917.65.

Funding for these purchases were approved under adopted budget for FY2021 under account 301-4520-522-6405.