



Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND
CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Scott P. Johnson
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SUBJECT: SEE BELOW

DATE: May 12, 2005

Approved

Kay Winer

Date

5/16/05

**SUBJECT: REPORT ON STATE CONTRACT PURCHASE OF FORD F550 CAB
AND CHASSIS FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT**

REASON FOR ADDENDUM

The cab and chassis are available through the California State Vehicle Contract #1-05-23-20. Staff was informed by Downtown Ford Sales (Sacramento, CA) that orders need to be placed by June 1 to ensure receipt of vehicles with the current model year.

RECOMMENDATION

Approval of award of six Ford F550 Cab and Chassis, utilizing a California State Department of General Services' contract, to Downtown Ford Sales (Sacramento, CA), for a total amount not to exceed \$229,758.03, including tax and freight, and authorize the Director of Finance to execute the purchase order.

BACKGROUND

The San Jose Fire Department is responsible for covering diverse wild land and urban interface areas. The vehicles requested are intended to replace six brush patrol vehicles that have been in service for sixteen years. The vehicles will be assigned to various locations in the Bureau of Field Operations to cover the areas that have been identified as wild land and urban interface areas. Because of their mobility, versatility and mobile attack capabilities, these Emergency Response Vehicles are vital to wild land firefighting operations.

ANALYSIS

The cab and chassis were competitively bid by the State of California General Services Department and are available to other governmental agencies including City governments at the same pricing. The contract pricing is based upon California government business volume enhanced by manufacturer and dealer incentive programs provided to government agencies. Generally, contract ordering begins in October and extends through March to June of the model year, depending upon manufacturer production schedules. To ensure the receipt of these vehicles, the order needs to be placed by June 1.

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OUTCOME

With the purchase of these Brush Patrol vehicles, the Department will be able to maintain existing service levels, while enhancing operational capabilities using the new technology available with this acquisition.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

The State of California contracts are available to any California Governmental entity defined by the California Government Code including; state agencies, county and city governments, K-12 education, special districts, colleges and universities.

COORDINATION

This memorandum has been coordinated with the City Attorney's Office, City Manager's Budget Office, and the Fire Department.

COST IMPLICATION

This Council item is consistent with Council approved Budget Strategy Memo, General Principle #2, "We must focus on protecting our vital core city services".

BUDGET REFERENCE

Fund #	Appn. #	Appn. Name	Total Appn.	Amount for contract	2005-2009 Adopted Capital Budget	Last Budget Action (Date, Ord. No.)
392	6363	Fire Apparatus Replacement & Repair	\$941,000	\$229,758.03	Page V-399	

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Not a project.


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