

# Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 13P FIRE TRUCKS FD MG

**SUBJECT**

(ALL) Authorize the Purchase of Eleven Fire Trucks from Siddons Martin Emergency Group, LLC for the Fire Department in an Amount Up to \$11,415,342.17 Using BuyBoard Cooperative Contract 571-18

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the purchase of eleven fire trucks from Siddons Martin Emergency Group, LLC in an amount up to \$11,415,342.17 for the Fire Department using BuyBoard Cooperative Contract 571-18.

**DISCUSSION:**

The Fire Department (Fire) approached Fleet and the Purchasing Division for assistance with buying eleven fire trucks that will be used to transport firefighters and equipment to fires, hazardous incidents and other emergency situations throughout the City of Fort Worth (City). Pierce Manufacturing Incorporated sells apparatus through BuyBoard from authorized distributors. The regional distributor for Texas is Siddons Martin Emergency Group, LLC. Fire obtained a cooperative quote for the fire trucks from Siddons Martin Emergency Group, LLC using BuyBoard Cooperative Contract 571-18. This purchase includes eight Pierce Custom Velocity Pumper trucks, two Pierce Custom Velocity Aerial trucks and one Pierce Custom Velocity 100' Tower. All requested vehicles will be replacements for old units that can no longer be economically maintained.

DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	PRICE
Pierce-Custom Velocity Pumper Truck	8	\$7,321,203.92
Pierce-Custom Velocity Aerial-107' Truck	2	\$2,479,260.30
Pierce-Custom Velocity 100' Tower	1	\$1,613,377.95
BuyBoard Fee	1	\$1,500.00
Total		\$11,415,342.17

The new trucks meet required specifications and are expected to operate satisfactorily during their service lives of 10 years for each vehicle. Warranty information, manufacturer's Statement of Origin and original sales invoice will accompany the new units upon delivery.

ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGE ORDER - An administrative change order or increase may be made by the City Manager up to the amount allowed by relevant law and the Fort Worth City Code and does not require specific City Council approval as long as sufficient funds have been appropriated.

COOPERATIVE PURCHASE - State law provides that a local government purchasing an item under a cooperative purchasing agreement satisfies State laws requiring that the local government seek competitive bids for purchase of the items. BuyBoard Contracts have been competitively bid to increase and simplify the purchasing power of local government entities across the State of Texas.

M/WBE OFFICE - An M/WBE goal is not assigned when purchasing from an approved purchasing cooperative or other public entity.

DELIVERY - The new units will be delivered within 365 days after receipt of a purchase order.

**FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:**

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are available in the current capital budget, as previously appropriated, in the Tax Note 2021 C Fund for the FY22 FD Apparatus Replacement project to support the approval of the above recommendation and execution of the purchase contract. Prior to any expenditure being incurred, the Fire Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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