



CITY OF SALINAS COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

DATE: JANUARY 5, 2021

DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC WORKS, SANITARY SEWER DIVISION

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TITLE: REPLACEMENT OF DAMAGED ASSET

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

It is recommended that City Council approve a resolution authorizing the direct purchase of one Vac-Con V312HE/1300 Mounted on a Peterbilt chassis at a cost of \$573,787.58 and approve a supplemental appropriation of \$50,000 from the Sanitary Sewer Fund 9010 to Capital Improvement Project (CIP) No. 9725. Also, approve a rental truck at a monthly cost of \$12,800 for a four-month minimum at a total cost of \$51,200 with the option to extend as needed.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that City Council approve a resolution authorizing the direct purchase of one Vac-Con V312HE/1300 Mounted on a Peterbilt Model 348 chassis at a cost of \$573,787.58 which will be covered by the City's insurance policy minus the \$50,000 deductible, to replace the existing asset that was damaged due to fire. Also, approve a supplemental appropriation of \$50,000 from the Sanitary Sewer Fund 9010 to Capital Improvement Project (CIP) No. 9725 to cover the deductible. It is also recommended that the City Council approve a rental truck for a period of four or more months until the new asset is accepted.

DISCUSSION:

This report explains why staff chose the Vac-con V312HE/1300. This sewer maintenance truck is needed to continue with the maintenance and repairs of the city infrastructure as well as provide emergency response for spills and clean ups.

BACKGROUND:

The Sanitary Sewer Division lost a 2006 Vac-con sewer truck due to a fire on October 15th, 2020. This truck is not rebuildable due to the extent of the fire damage.

The Public Works Fleet, in conjunction with the Sanitary Sewer Division, selected the Vac-con on a Peterbilt chassis for reliability and fleet consistency ensuring that we have quick repair and

maintenance turnaround as well as user consistency in an emergency. There are other manufacturers on the market, but fleet consistency needs to be a consideration. Vactor is one manufacturer we recently tested. The Vactor operated like our old unit we had in the past, except the unit requires the front engine to be running causing additional wear and is very noisy. The Vactor is slightly less expensive, but due to the operation of the front engine and the noise we chose the Vac-con. The new truck is essentially the same specifications as the damaged truck except for modern emissions devices on the engines. We are also changing the chassis from an International to a Peterbilt. Municipal Maintenance Equipment, through Sourcewell contract #122017-AMI/VAC, has this truck at a cost of \$573,787.58.

As a part of this replacement process, we will need to rent a truck to fill the gap until our replacement truck arrives. This rental is covered by the City's insurance policy. The intent is to minimize our rental time as much as possible. We will start the rental as soon as we have ordered the truck.

Rental Unit- Enviro-Clean Equipment, Inc

Vin- 1FVHG3DVXMHMH9900

Model- VPD4216LHAEN

Cost- \$12,800 Monthly/Min four-month rental which may be longer due to manufacturing times.

The cost to purchase this truck will be reimbursed by McLarens File: 002.05393.MI.P (CR2021-0005), the City's insurer, except for the \$50,000 dollar deductible. Also, the total cost of the rental fees will be reimbursed by McLarens.

The cooperative purchases with other government agencies are exempt from the competitive bid process per Salinas Municipal Code Section 12-25 – Exceptions “cooperative purchasing with other governmental agencies”. Sourcewell is a local government unit, public corporation and public agency under the laws of the state of Minnesota.

CEQA CONSIDERATION:

Not a Project. The City of Salinas has determined that the proposed action is not a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (CEQA Guidelines Section 15378).

STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVE:

The requested Council action directly relates to Council's Strategic Plans or Goals of Investment “Strategies/Risk Management” and “Operational Efficiencies”.

DEPARTMENTAL COORDINATION:

Fleet Maintenance in coordination with the Sanitary Sewer Division had a meeting to discuss the needs of the new sewer truck. We concluded that the truck in this report meets both the needs of the Sanitary Sewer Division as well as the requirements of the Fleet Maintenance Shop. We also coordinated with the Finance Purchasing Division regarding this purchase.

FISCAL AND SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT:

A supplemental appropriation for \$50,000 is requested from the Sanitary Sew Fund from CIP No. 9010 to 9725 to cover the cost of the deductible. There will be no impact to the City's General Fund since money for the purchase is from the Sanitary Sewer Fund CIP No. 9725 to cover the \$50,000 deductible and the remaining sum of \$523,787.58 will come from McLarens. \$51,200 will also be covered by the city's insurance policy to cover the rental fees with the option to add additional months as needed.

ATTACHMENTS:

Council Resolution
Vehicle and Equipment quotes
Pictures