



Corporate Report

NO: R179

COUNCIL DATE: July 18, 2005

REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: July 14, 2005
FROM: Len Garis, Fire Chief FILE: 1700-01
SUBJECT: Purchase of Pumper/Rescue Fire Apparatus

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve the award of a contract REP#1220-30-17-08 for the supply of one 1500 IGPM Triple Combination Pumper/Rescue Unit to Safetek Emergency Vehicles Ltd. in the amount of CDN \$624,093.00 including all applicable taxes and RFQ #1220-40-17-05 for \$58,450 including all applicable taxes for loose equipment.

BACKGROUND

The City invited seventeen companies to submit proposals through RFP# 1220-30-17-05 which was posted on the City's website and the B.C. Bid website. Four Pumper/Rescue proposals were received on May 27, 2005 and were evaluated using the criteria stated in the RFP. The bidding process was undertaken in accordance with the City's purchasing policies and procedures.

The proposal from Safetek Emergency Vehicles Ltd. received the highest evaluation score by meeting and exceeding all specifications and also offering the lowest price. Our previous experience when dealing with Safetek has been satisfactory and the product quality excellent.

DISCUSSION

The acquisition of this Pumper/Rescue combination apparatus continues to demonstrate a new direction for the Surrey Fire Service, by being versatile, giving the department a Pumper and Rescue combination at approximately half the cost of purchasing separate Pumper and Rescue trucks; therefore offering our City better utilization of the fire fighting work forces. The Pump/Rescue unit is multi-functional, staffed with four persons that is capable of providing immediate intervention at any emergency incident requiring medical/rescue or of a fire ground related emergency. The apparatus will be equipped with a full complement of ground ladders, 500 imperial gallon water tank, 1500 IGPM fire pump, 800 feet of 2.5 inch hose, 1000 feet of 4 inch hose, three pre-connect attack lines, 25 imperial gallon class A foam concentrate system, rescue equipment consisting of cutter, spreader (Jaws of Life), hydraulic spreaders, rescue saw, smoke fan, 15,000-watt generator, scene light tower and medical equipment. This unit is designed for proactive, offensive fire fighting and emergency operations in a first responder capacity.

The Pump/Rescue will facilitate decommissioning of one Pumper truck and the relocation of one Rescue truck to become a new Technical/Rescue truck. The decommissioned Pumper is a 1982 in need of major overhaul. Part components for apparatus of this vintage is no longer inventoried by suppliers and must be custom manufactured which impacts negatively on our operating costs and down time. The new Pumper/Rescue will service the Cloverdale District (Hall 8) and the newly

developed Technical/Rescue will service the entire City.

The loose equipment was purchased through RFQ #1220-40-17-05 for \$58,450 for loose equipment including all applicable taxes, from the lowest responsible qualified bidders.

The GM Finance, Technology & HR has reviewed the financial component and purchasing component of this report and confirms that funding is provided within the current budget year and the process is appropriate.

CONCLUSION

Based on the above, it is recommended that Council approve the award of a contract to Safetek Emergency Vehicles Ltd. for the supply of one 1500 IGPM Triple Combination Pumper/Rescue Unit for a value of \$624,093.00 including all applicable taxes

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