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REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: **Mayor & Council**

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FROM: **Fire Chief**

FILE: **1220-30**

SUBJECT: **Quick Response Pumper/Rescue Fire Apparatus Purchase**

RECOMMENDATION

The Fire Services Department recommends that Council approve the award of a contract in the amount of CDN \$569,856.00 including all applicable taxes to Safetek Emergency Vehicles Ltd. (Smeal Fire Apparatus) for the supply of a 6000 LPM Quick Response Pumper/Rescue Fire Apparatus (fire truck).

INTENT

The purpose of this report is to obtain Council approval to acquire a 6000 LPM Quick Response Pumper/Rescue fire suppression apparatus.

BACKGROUND

When Firehall #14 was opened in the Hazelmere area, a temporary Rescue/Pumper was placed at the new Hall to provide service in the catchment boundaries of that Hall. This truck was redeployed from a 2 firefighter position Hall and modified to accommodate 4 firefighters. A new fire truck designed to accommodate a 4 firefighter crew and with standardized apparatus design is being purchased to replace this modified truck, which will be relocated back to its original Hall. The new truck will be capable of providing immediate intervention at any emergency incident requiring medical/rescue and/or a fire ground-related emergency. The truck will be equipped with a full complement of ground ladders, 500 imperial gallon water tank, 1250 IGPM fire pump, 400 feet of 2.5 inch hose, 800 feet of 4 inch hose, four pre-connect attack lines, 25 imperial gallon class A foam concentrate system, rescue equipment including a cutter, spreader, hydraulic rams, rescue saw, smoke fan, 8,000-watt generator, scene light tower and medical equipment. This unit is designed for proactive, emergency operations in a first responder capacity.

The QR Pumper/Rescue will allow the temporary truck to return to its original location and facilitate the decommissioning of a 1997 Pumper/Rescue truck that is on a commercial cab and chassis that is at the end of its useful life. The Pumper/Rescue proposed to be decommissioned is in need of some major cab and fire body overhaul. The original

manufacturer of the fire body for the apparatus is no longer in business and parts are no longer available and must be custom manufactured, which impacts negatively on the costs to overhaul the apparatus, on the on-going operating costs of the Department and on down time.

DISCUSSION

With a view to acquiring the new apparatus, a request for quotations (RFQ) numbered RFQ# 1220-41-26-09 was issued by the City for the supply of "One or more 6000 L.P.M. Triple Combination Quick Response Unit(s)".

The following price quotes were received in response to the RFQ:

- Safetek Emergency Vehicles Ltd \$508,800 excluding HST
- HUB Fire Engines & Equipment \$530,687 excluding HST

A quote was also received from Rocky Mountain Phoenix that did not meet the required specifications and as such was eliminated from consideration.

The quotation from Safetek Emergency Vehicles Ltd. was the low quotation fully meeting the City's specifications as stipulated in the RFQ documents. The City's previous experience with Safetek has been satisfactory with that firm providing excellent product quality as evidenced by previous City purchases.

The Purchasing Division has reviewed the process and the quotes and is satisfied with the procurement process and the recommendation. Funding for this purchase is available within the 2011 budget.

Subject to Council approval of the recommendation of this report, it is expected that the new fire apparatus (fire truck) will be delivered by no later than September 2012.

CONCLUSION

Based on the above discussion, it is recommended that Council approve the award of a contract in the amount of CDN \$569,856.00 including all applicable taxes to Safetek Emergency Vehicles Ltd. (Smeal Fire Apparatus) for the supply of a 6000 LPM Quick Response Pumper/Rescue Fire Apparatus (i.e., fire truck).



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