



Memorandum

7/15/20

To: Steve Giesbrecht, Borough Manager  
Cc: Mayor Jensen and Members of the Borough Assembly  
From: Chris Cotta, Public Works Director  
Re: Wash Truck Purchase

The FY21 approved budget includes the following truck replacement:

Public Works #90 Wash Truck @ \$140,000. A copy of the Motor Pool Recommendation Memo for FY21 is included for reference.

This unit has been nearing the end of its service life for a while and was initially budgeted for replacement in FY20 at a cost of \$115,000. That amount proved inadequate for replacement of the truck and it was decided to forgo the purchase and budget additional funds in FY21. The truck was also damaged in the fire last fall and although still functional, needs replacement very soon.

A quote for this unit was obtained through RWC Group in Anchorage at a cost of \$134,970.46. A copy of the quote is attached for reference.

The above referenced quote includes pricing through Sourcewell, a national purchasing cooperative that bids out vehicle contracts for government, education and non-profit entities. Borough Code Section 4.04.040 (Exceptions to Bidding), Section G States: *When it is advantageous to the borough to enter into a contract with a bidder for the same supplies or services such bidder is providing another Alaskan local government, the state of Alaska, a cooperative purchasing association composed of government agencies, or the United States, where such supplies, equipment or services are being provided to the other governmental unit or association on the basis of competitive bids submitted; and where the borough contract is on substantially the same terms as those bid; or to contract with or through such other governmental unit or association so that the benefit of the responsible bid accrues to the borough;*

This proposed purchase was approved in the FY21 Borough budget, adheres to Borough purchasing code and is under the amount budgeted. For the preceding reasons, Public Works recommends award of this vehicle purchase to RWC Group of Anchorage for the quoted prices of \$134,970.46. If you agree with this recommendation, please forward it to the Borough Assembly for consideration at their next regular meeting on July 20, 2020. Thank you.

Attachment: RWC/Sourcewell Quote (12 pages)  
FY21 Motor Pool Replacement Memo (2 pages)

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