

# CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM NO. F.16 04/23/2024

**SUBJECT**: Purchase two new solid waste collection trucks, and authorize the

City Manager or designee to execute any necessary documents in

a total amount not to exceed \$951,050.

**DEPARTMENT**: Public Works

**STAFF:** Casey Wichert, Director of Public Works

Scott Dempsey, Fleet/Facilities Maintenance Manager

## TITLE/RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution approving the purchase of two new collection vehicles for the Solid Waste Division, one residential Labrie split body truck and one Labrie front load truck, from Arata Equipment Company in San Carlos, CA; and authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute any necessary documents in an amount not to exceed \$951,050 for fiscal year 2023/24.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The total cost of the two new Solid Waste collection vehicles to be purchased from Arata Equipment Company is a not to exceed amount of \$951,050. This amount will be expended from the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund and the amount is included in the FY 2023/24 Solid Waste Enterprise Operating Budget.

## **BACKGROUND**

The requested two new Solid Waste collection trucks were approved as part of the 2022/23 – 2023/24 Operating Budget. The one new residential split body truck will provide capacity for a new residential route due to growth. The one new front load truck will be used for increased service levels of the commercial routes as the current two front load routes are at capacity. Residential refuse collection trucks are necessary vehicles to provide efficient and cost-effective solid waste services to our residential customers. Front load trucks provide service to City's commercial customers.

City staff has previously researched solid waste collection trucks and determined the Labrie split-body (60/40) truck best meets the needs of the City. This truck has proven to be both reliable and efficient. The Solid Waste and Fleet Maintenance



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Divisions of Public Works are satisfied with the combination of high performance, low maintenance costs, and comparable price to other similar models.

Pursuant to Purchasing Policy 10-7, Section 5.3, staff recommends utilizing Sole Source/Non-Competitive Negotiations for purchasing the Labrie split-body truck to maintain uniformity in the Solid Waste fleet. The Solid Waste and Fleet Maintenance Divisions benefit from operational and maintenance-related efficiency, reduced repair time, parts ordering and stocking, and training for both Solid Waste drivers and Fleet Maintenance personnel. Additionally, uniformity of the fleet helps improve safety by allowing drivers to be familiar with operating controls, i.e., levers, pedals, mirrors, instruments, truck inspections, etc., when driving different trucks from the same manufacturer. Staff previously analyzed, and continues to concur that Labrie is the only truck body manufacturer that meets current City specifications.

SB1383 mandates that 50% of vehicles over 8,500 pounds Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) purchased by the City must be zero emission vehicles (ZEV). Staff has evaluated the market and determined these particular vehicles have no ZEV equivalents, and as such are recommending the purchase of these vehicles. Staff will continue to evaluate new vehicle purchases to comply with SB1383 requirements.

#### CITY COUNCIL STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Not Applicable.

### **PREVIOUS ACTION**

Previous Action by the City Council is included on Attachment 1.

### **ALTERNATIVE OPTION(S)**

Alternative Options to the Staff Recommendation:

- 1. Do not approve staff's recommendation.
- 2. Modify staff's recommendation based on legally defensible findings.
- 3. Continue item with direction for staff to return with additional information.

## ATTACHMENT(S)

- 1. Previous Action
- 2. Resolution
- 3. Quotes