

# City of San Antonio

# **Agenda Memorandum**

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**Agenda Item Number: 14** 

**Agenda Date:** September 21, 2023

**In Control:** City Council A Session

**DEPARTMENT:** Finance Department

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Troy Elliott

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** District 4, District 9

**SUBJECT:** 

Shredder Grinder for Solid Waste Management Department

#### **SUMMARY:**

This ordinance authorizes acceptance of a contract with Bane Machinery, Inc. to provide two replacement horizontal brush grinding machines for a total cost of \$2,870,554.54 for the Solid Waste Management Department. Funding in the amount of \$2,870,554.54 is available from Equipment Renewal & Replacement Fund FY 2023 Adopted Budget.

# **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Submitted for City Council consideration and action is the proposal submitted by Bane Machinery, Inc. to provide two replacement horizontal brush grinding machines for the Bitters Brush Recycling Center and Highway 90 Center locations operated by the Solid Waste Management Department. This is larger scale, high-capacity, equipment that grinds 1,000 yards per hour of wood waste and brush that is processed at these locations. Green waste, like brush, when not disposed properly can release foul odors and harmful gases that can affect human health and the environment. Green waste left unattended can become a breeding ground for mosquitos and attract vermins like snakes and scorpions that can negatively impact residential areas.

This equipment allows residents to recycle vines, shrubs, tree branches, and Christmas trees into useable mulch. The by-product from this equipment becomes eco-friendly weed prevention, moisture barrier to keep plants cool, and prevents frost from damaging the soil.

The City issued a Request for Offer 6100017102 for Shredder Grinder for Solid Waste Management Department on July 20, 2023, with a submission deadline of July 28, 2023. Bane Machinery, Inc. is recommended for contract award and meets the published bid specifications.

This contract is procured based on BuyBoard Cooperative Contract #685-22 and is made in accordance with the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative passed through Ordinance 97097, dated 1/30/2003. The use of the cooperative contract allows the Solid Waste Management Department to access contracts for equipment needed to maintain department operations. A cooperative contract was utilized due to the lack of local businesses available to provide horizontal brush grinding machines.

The Texas BuyBoard Cooperative is administered by the Texas Municipal League. All products and services that are part of this cooperative have been competitively bid and awarded by the Cooperative's Board of Trustees, based on Texas Statutes.

# **ISSUE:**

This contract will provide two replacement shredder grinders for necessary shredding of tree branches, wood waste and other large shrubs for the Solid Waste Management Department.

The life expectancy of this equipment is a minimum of 120 months.

The proposed equipment will be supplied with a minimum 12-month warranty that will start the day the equipment is placed in service.

The Small Business Economic Development Advocacy (SBEDA) Ordinance requirements were waived due to the lack of small, minority, and/or women businesses available to provide these goods and services.

The contract is an exception to the Local Preference Program.

The Veteran-Owned Small Business Program does not apply to goods/supplies contracts, so no preference was applicable to this contract.

# **ALTERNATIVES:**

Should this contract not be approved, the current equipment will become no longer economically feasible to repair. Not replacing this equipment as planned, may affect Solid Waste Management Department's ability to recycle green waste effectively. The current equipment has met the age

and/or maintenance requirement for replacement.

# **FISCAL IMPACT:**

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# **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the approval of an ordinance for acceptance of a contract with Bane Machinery Inc. to provide Bitters Brush Recycling Center and Highway 90 Center with two new Shredder Grinders for a cost of \$2,870,554.54.

This contract is procured by means of cooperative agreement and a Contracts Disclosure Form is not required.