



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

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**DEPARTMENT:** Finance Department

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Troy Elliott

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** Citywide

**SUBJECT:**

Rear Ejection Trailers and Tractor Trucks – SWMD

**SUMMARY:**

This ordinance authorizes a contract with Doggett Freightliner of South Texas, LLC to provide 12 tractor trucks and 3 rear ejection horizontal discharge trailers for the Solid Waste Management Department for a total cost of \$1,784,748.00. Funding for this contract is available from the FY 2023 Equipment Renewal and Replacement Fund Budget in the amount of \$1,314,142.00 and from the FY 2023 Solid Waste Operating and Management Fund Budget in the amount of \$470,606.00.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Submitted for City Council consideration and action is a bid response submitted by Doggett Freightliner of South Texas, LLC to provide 12 Freightliner M2-Plus tractor trucks, model year 2024, and 3 Warren 39' Rear Eject Brush Trailers, model year 2023 for the Solid Waste Management Department (SWMD). These vehicles and trailers will be utilized for brush collection days that are scheduled throughout the year.

This contract will provide Class 8 heavy-duty vehicles that will exceed 52,000 lbs. and trailers that do not use fuel. City staff tested a Mack LRE in November 2022. This is an electric Class 8 chassis

with a refuse body that has a comparable gross vehicle weight rating to the brush tractor truck and trailer combination that is being purchased through this contract. It was found that the electric truck took two days to charge and did not complete a full day of service. The seller offering the truck did not have the electrical infrastructure to charge the Mack LRE at its own facility. City staff have prioritized electrifying light duty vehicles until the market improves in our area for electric heavy-duty trucks.

The FY 2023 Equipment Renewal and Replacement Fund is budgeted to replace 10 tractor trucks and 1 rear ejection horizontal discharge trailer. The FY 2023 Solid Waste Operating Fund is budgeted to add 2 tractor trucks and 2 rear ejection horizontal discharge trailers to the fleet.

There are currently 86 rear ejection trailers of which this contract will provide (1) replacement that was damaged by fire, no count change, and (2) fleet additions. Currently insurance proceeds are pending for the fire damaged trailer; any insurance proceeds received will be used to offset the cost of this new replacement trailer. The new total for rear ejection trailers will be 88 as a result of this contract.

There are currently 86 brush tractor trucks of which (2) additions are pending delivery from the previous contract authorized on Ordinance #2020-08-06-0464 and (2) fleet additions. The previous contract was impacted by a global parts shortages and delays beyond the vendor's control. The new total for brush tractor trucks is 90 as a result of this contract. These tractor trucks can also hook up to 4 existing walking floor trailers in service

The City issued an Invitation for Bid (IFB) for "SWMD Rear Ejection Trailers & Tractor Trucks" (IFB 6100016252) on November 4, 2022, with a submission deadline of December 5, 2022. The IFB was advertised in the San Antonio HartBeat, TVSA channel, the City's Bidding & Contracting Opportunities website, the San Antonio e-Procurement System, and an email notification was released to a list of potential Respondents. Three bid responses were received. Doggett Freightliner of South Texas, LLC is recommended for contract award based on the City's published bid specifications and requirements.

The initial term of the agreement shall be for the period upon award by City Council and shall terminate upon delivery of all goods ordered.

#### **ISSUE:**

This contract will provide 12 tractor trucks and 3 rear ejection horizontal discharge trailers for the SWMD. The contract will ensure that the SWMD can efficiently utilize their equipment for its brush and bulky operations.

The replacement of these units is consistent with the City's Equipment Renewal and Replacement Fund program. The life expectancy for all the equipment is 96 months.

The tractor truck cabs and chassis have two-year, unlimited mileage warranty. The rear ejection trailers have a 12-month warranty. With a 5-year warranty on the hydraulic system.

These vehicle purchases are for heavy-duty vehicles. Light-duty vehicles are defined as Class 1 - Class 2 vehicles weighing 10,000 lbs. or less. Medium-duty vehicles are defined as Class 3 – Class 6 vehicles weighing 10,001 - 26,000 lbs. Heavy-duty vehicles are defined as Class 7 – Class 8 vehicles weighing 26,001 and greater. A commercial driver license is required to operate heavy-duty vehicles.

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 recommended award is to the lowest responsive bidder, who is also a local business; therefore, application of the Local Preference Program was not required.

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

#### **ALTERNATIVES:**

Should this contract not be approved, the current brush tractor and trailers pending replacement will meet their age and mileage requirement cycles and may not be economically feasible to repair. Should the replacement trucks not be purchased, the alternative is to continue to use the existing trucks but incur increased maintenance costs and potential delays in the delivery of brush collection and transport of organics and mulch for the City of San Antonio.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

This ordinance will approve a contract with Doggett Freightliner of South Texas, LLC to provide 12 tractor trucks and 3 rear ejection horizontal discharge trailers for the SWMD for a total cost of \$1,784,748.00. Funding for this contract is available from the FY 2023 Equipment Renewal and Replacement Fund Budget in the amount of \$1,314,142.00 and from the FY 2023 Solid Waste Operating and Management Fund Budget in the amount of \$470,606.00.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of an ordinance for acceptance of a contract with Doggett Freightliner of South Texas, LLC to provide 12 tractor trucks and 3 rear ejection horizontal discharge trailers for the Solid Waste Management Department for a total cost of \$1,784,748.00.

This contract was procured by means of a low bid process and a Contracts Disclosure Form is not required.