

# City of San Antonio

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**DEPARTMENT:** Finance Department

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# COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

**SUBJECT:** 

Generators for Community and Senior Centers

# **SUMMARY:**

This ordinance authorizes a contract with Waukesha-Pierce Industries, LLC to provide the San Antonio Fire Department with four generators for a total cost of \$335,528.36. Funding is available from the FY 2022 Adopted General Fund Budget.

# **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Submitted for City Council consideration and action is the attached tabulation of one offer to provide three natural gas and one diesel generator for the San Antonio Fire Department (SAFD). This equipment will be utilized at four senior and community centers throughout the City that will serve as resiliency hubs to provide emergency heating and electrical power during emergency weather related incidents and critical emergency responses.

On February 22, 2021, Mayor Ron Nirenberg announced the formation of the Committee on Emergency Preparedness. The committee, comprised of City Council members and external community stakeholders, outlined 24 recommendations to reduce gaps in preparedness and response planning for extended emergency events. One of the recommendations called for the

prioritization of emergency backup generators to ensure key City facilities can operate during situations involving extended power disruptions. All City of San Antonio facilities have been assessed and prioritized. This assessment identified four community senior centers currently without emergency backup generator capability.

The four generators will support essential emergency elements, to included powering overhead doors, vehicle charger cords, telephone/data outlets, mini-split in Main Distribution Frame (MDF) room, power outlets for station computers, dayroom television, radio, USDD Station Alerting, minimal lighting, refrigerators, ice makers, ceiling fans, and entry/exit gates.

Generators will be purchased from Waukesha-Pearce Industries, LLC utilizing BuyBoard Cooperative #657-21 and 597-19 contracts with the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (BuyBoard) Program passed on Ordinance 97097, dated 1/30/2003. Contracts awarded through this Purchasing Cooperative are competitive and meet all bidding requirements.

The Waukesha-Pearce Industries, LLC offer was evaluated based upon the published bid specifications and is recommended for award. The estimated delivery time for these four generators is 40-42 weeks. Installation of the generators will be accomplished through task orders to be issued under an existing Job Order Contract.

## **ISSUE:**

This contract will provide the purchase of three natural gas and one diesel generator for the following centers: Normoyle Senior Center, Northeast Senior Center, Southside Lions Senior Center and Gilbert Garza Community Center. This purchase will ensure continual heat and electricity to the above-mentioned sites during emergency weather related incidents and critical emergency responses as needed throughout the City.

The Small Business Economic Development Advocacy (SBEDA) Ordinance requirements were waived as the City is utilizing a BuyBoard contract.

This contract is an exception to the Local Preference Program.

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

## **ALTERNATIVES:**

Should this contract not be approved, the SAFD can delay the necessary work and process a competitive solicitation; however, without the replacement of the generator equipment, the community centers will continue to lack the required redundancy to continue safe operation, in the event of a commercial power outage. Furthermore, the lack of redundancy creates the potential to place the public's health and safety at risk.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

This ordinance authorizes acceptance of the offer from Waukesha-Pierce Industries, LLC to provide four generators for a total cost of \$335,528.36. Funding is available from the FY 2022 Adopted General Fund Budget.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the approval of the purchase of four generators from Waukesha-Pierce Industries, LLC for the Fire Department for a total cost of \$335,528.36.

This contract is procured based on cooperative purchasing and a contracts disclosure form is not required.