

ITEM# 18
DATE: 11-25-14

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: FLEET REPLACEMENT PROGRAM – PLATFORM LIFT AND UTILITY BODY TO BE INSTALLED ON A SINGLE AXLE TRUCK CHASSIS

BACKGROUND:

There is one platform lift truck in the City's Public Works Division for Traffic Signal and Sign Maintenance. This truck is scheduled to be replaced in FY 14/15. This aerial truck has a 40-foot reach and is used primarily for traffic signals and street sign and equipment maintenance.

This bid is for the purchase of a lift platform and fiberglass utility body to be installed on a new City owned truck chassis with single rear axle.

Bids were received from the following vendors as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Make & Model</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Base Bid</u>
ABM Equipment & Supply, LLC of Hopkins, Minnesota	Challenger 2900 Lift with Brand FX 56 DLS Body	2014	\$85,552.00
Truck Equipment Inc. of Des Moines, Iowa	Aero-Lift TVT-25 with Brand FX 60DLS Body	2015	\$91,324.00

The low bid for the Lift Platform and Utility Body including installation onto a truck chassis is from ABM Equipment & Supply, LLC of Hopkins, MN for \$85,552.00. ABM estimated the completion of work in 120 days upon approval and receipt of the chassis.

Funding is available for this purchase as follows:

Replacement funds available	\$ 73,045 (balance Nov. 2014)
Estimated salvage value for existing truck #515	10,000
FY15 Budgeted Replacement contributions	4,025 (Dec 14 – Jun 15)
Available funding	\$ 87,070

Aerial Platform and Utility Body	85,552
Total Cost	\$ 85,552

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve and award this contract to ABM Equipment and Supply, LLC of Hopkins, MN for the purchase and installation of the lift platform and utility body as described above for \$85,552.00
2. Reject award of bid.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The Director of Fleet Services and Public Works Staff agree the lift platform and utility body from ABM Equipment and Supply, LLC of Hopkins, MN. meets the City's needs as specified, at the lowest price. Therefore, purchasing this equipment will provide the best and most economical equipment for traffic signal and street sign maintenance for the City of Ames.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopts Alternative No.1, thereby approving and awarding this contract to ABM Equipment and Supply, LLC of Hopkins, MN for the purchase and installation of one lift platform and utility body for a total of \$85,552.