



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR  
October 11, 2022

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Dee Williams-Ridley, City Manager

Submitted by: David Sprague, Interim Fire Chief

Subject: Purchase Order – Golden State Fire Apparatus Inc., for a Kenworth 3,000 Gallon Tender for Emergency Water Supply

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to issue purchase orders with Golden State Fire Apparatus Inc., piggybacking on Houston-Galveston Area Council (HCAG) contract No. FS12-19 for an amount not to exceed \$448,273.90 through December 31, 2022.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

One-time funding for this project is available in the FY23 Fire Department in Budget Code: 778-72-742-835-0000-000-422-664120 (Measure Q).

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

On October 4, 2022 the Department was contacted by Golden State with the opportunity to purchase a Stock/Demo unit for a Pierce Manufacturing, Inc. STOCK Kenworth 3,000 Gallon Tender, this is a piggyback purchase per HGACBuy Contract No. FS12-19, Product Code FS19VE09.

For three years the Department has been trying to acquire a vehicle that is capable of storing 3,000 gallons of water that can be deployed immediately to any location within or adjacent to the City to make a quick attack on fires. In a post-earthquake scenario, the East Bay Mud (EBMUD) water delivery infrastructure may be compromised. This apparatus would also provide a large volume of water that could be deployed to the park lands adjacent to the City where there is limited to no water delivery infrastructure to help suppress a wildfire threatening the community.

BACKGROUND

The Fire Department (Department) has identified water supply, or lack thereof, as a critical issue for any post-earthquake fire suppression activity and/or any fire suppression that needs to occur in the City's Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) or in Tilden Park. While Tilden Park is not within the City's jurisdiction, our firefighters will be

some of the first on scene and a fire that starts in Tilden driven by aligned weather, would move quickly in to the City proper.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE IMPACTS

This piece of apparatus will help the Department confront the impacts of climate change that are increasing the probability of wildfires that will start in or adjacent to the community.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

As part of its long-term planning to confront a post disaster scenario where lack of water will be a critical factor that hampers mitigation, the Department has been trying to acquire a water tender for over three years through the normal (pre-pandemic) design and acquisition process. Due to Pandemic related supply chain shortages, the chassis this type of vehicle is built upon has not been available.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

Wait for the normal purchasing process to recover and place an order then, which it likely to delay delivery for 2-5 years.

CONTACT PERSON

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Attachments:

1: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

PURCHASE ORDER: GOLDEN STATE FIRE APPARATUS INC., FOR A KENWORTH  
3,000 GALLON TENDER FOR EMERGENCY WATER SUPPLY

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is authorized to issue a purchase order with Golden State Fire Apparatus Inc., piggybacking on Houston-Galveston Area Council (HCAG) contract No. FS12-19 for an amount not to exceed \$448,273.90 through December 31, 2022. The funds will come from Budget Code: 778-72-742-835-0000-000-422-664120 (Measure Q).

