



Legislation Text

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SUBJECT: Award Bid to Santos Ford for the Purchase of Three (3) New SUV Interceptors for a Cost of \$49,335.00 Each, Totaling \$148,005 for the Police Department

REPORT IN BRIEF

Considers awarding the bid to Santos Ford for the purchase of three new SUV interceptors for the Police Department for a total cost of \$148,005.

RECOMMENDATION

City Council - Adopt a motion:

- A. Awarding the bid to Santos Ford for the supply of three new SUV interceptors, for a total cost of \$148,005; and,
- B. Authorizing the City Manager to execute the necessary documents; and,
- C. Authorizing the Finance Officer to make any necessary budget adjustments; and,
- D. Authorizing the City Buyer to issue the Purchase Order(s), and approval of change orders not to exceed 10% of the total purchase price.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Approve, as recommended by staff; or,
2. Deny; or,
3. Refer to staff for reconsideration of specific items (specific items to be addressed in the motion); or,
4. Continue to a future meeting (date and time to be specified in the motion).

AUTHORITY

Charter of the City of Merced, Article XI, Section 1111-Competitive bidding, and Merced Municipal Code (MMC) Chapter 3.04, Article III - the purchase of materials, supplies, equipment, and contractual services of an estimated value greater than thirty-seven thousand dollars (\$37,000.00), the "contract threshold," shall be made by the purchasing supervisor by written contract with the lowest responsible bidder.

CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES

As provided for in the FY 23/24 Adopted Budget.

DISCUSSION

Staff prepared bid specifications for up to six (6) new SUV interceptors, and the invitation for bids was advertised both in the Merced County Times newspaper and the City's website. Bids were publicly opened on November 28, 2023, at 2:30 p.m., with the following results:

- Santos Ford (Los Banos, CA) \$ 49,335.00 each
- Razzari Ford (Merced, CA) \$ 52,635.01 each

Bids were evaluated based on the following criteria: purchase price, delivery time, warranty, past performance.

Based on available funding, staff recommends awarding the bid for the purchase of three SUV's in the total amount of \$148,005.00 to Santos Ford.

Local Business Preference Policy

In 2018, City Council adopted the Local Business Preference Policy. The policy allows for a 5% local preference for purposes of quantitative comparisons. Based on the submitted bid amount of \$52,635.01 from the local bid received, Razzari Ford, the 5% preference would put their bid at \$50,003.26 for quantitative comparison purposes only (this does not reduce the amount ultimately paid to the vendor). This quantitative adjustment is higher than the low bidder, Santos Ford.

IMPACT ON CITY RESOURCES

The vehicles were approved in the FY 2023/24 adopted budget; no additional funding is needed. The vehicles will be purchased out of Vehicle Replacement - PD Operations Account 70066020-590005-VR243510

ATTACHMENTS

1. Santos Ford Bid
2. Razzari Ford Bid
3. Resolution 2018-18 - Local Business Preference