DEPARTMENT: Public Works/County Fire

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Approve the specifications for 11 new fire engines and four water tenders; and request direction from the Board on when and how to proceed with the purchasing process.

The Public Works Department has been working with County Fire to prepare detailed specifications for the new fire engines and water tenders that the County is planning to purchase. The approved specifications will be attached to the bid request and sent to vendors as minimum requirements for their proposals.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

The Board previously requested a detailed set of specifications for the new fire engines and water tenders that the County is planning to purchase.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Do not approve the proposed specifications and delay the purchase of the new Fire Engines and Water Tenders, which will drastically increase the cost due to new EPA and NFPA requirements beginning with 2009 year models.

Financial Impact? ( ) Yes (X) No  Current FY Cost: $  
Budgeted In Current FY? ( ) Yes ( ) No ( ) Partially Funded  
Amount in Budget: $  
Additional Funding Needed: $ 0  
Source:  
Internal Transfer  
Unanticipated Revenue  
Transfer Between Funds  
Contingency  
( ) General ( ) Other

List Attachments, number pages consecutively  
1. Proposed specifications for Fire Engines.  
2. Proposed specifications for Water Tenders.

CLERK’S USE ONLY:  
Res. No.: 08-4-05  Ord. No. _____  
Vote – Ayes: _____  Noes: _____  
Absent: _____  
( ) Approved  
( ) Minute Order Attached  ( ) No Action Necessary

The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file in this office.

Attest: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board  
County of Mariposa, State of California  
By: Deputy

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:  
/ Requested Action Recommended  
/ No Opinion  
Comments:

CAO:  

Revised Dec. 2002
MINUTE ORDER

TO: DANA HERTFELDER, Public Works Director

FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board

SUBJECT: Approve the Specifications to Purchase Eleven New Fire Engines and Four Water Tenders; and Request Direction from the Board of Supervisors on When and How to Proceed with the Purchasing Process

RESOLUTION 08-405

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

ADOPTED THIS Order on August 19, 2008

ACTION AND VOTE:

Dana Hertfelder, Public Works Director and Jim Wilson, Fire Chief; Approve the Specifications to Purchase Eleven New Fire Engines and Four Water Tenders; and Request Direction from the Board of Supervisors on When and How to Proceed with the Purchasing Process

BOARD ACTION: Joe Halencak/PWD-Fleet Superintendent, was present on behalf of Dana Hertfelder. Discussion was held with Jim Wilson relative to the specifications.

Input from the public was provided by the following:

Paul Chapman stated he feels that most of the County is not suitable for the recommended trucks; and he cautioned the Board to not spend the money because he feels the Proposition 218 process is being challenged.

Paul Smith stated he appreciates the Board members’ service to the County and the community and he is pleased with the positive discussion on supporting the Fire Chief and Public Works’ recommendation on the specifications. He urged the Board to support this and the volunteer fire fighters.

Jan Hamilton stated she agrees with Paul Smith and she urged the Board to support this.

Dennis Buck advised that the Chief has the Fire Department’s support and they have done a lot of work on this. He urged the Board to move forward on this before the prices of the equipment increase; and he stated he feels that the people spoke with the ballot tabulation results on the Proposition 219 process.

Discussion was held relative to the purchasing and finance process. Joe Halencak provided input on the status of the FEMA bid for the engine that was purchased using grant funds, and relative to the timeframes for a bid process. (M)Pickard, (S)Fritz, Res. 08-405 was adopted approving the specifications for the fire engines and water tenders as recommended; directing staff to put the specifications out to bid for 30 days for eleven engines and four tenders; and further direction was given to staff to bring back a lease/purchase finance package for the equipment/Ayes: Unanimous.

Cc: Chris Ebie, Auditor
    Jim Wilson, Fire Chief
    Richard J. Benson, CAO
    File