RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:  (Policy Item:  Yes___  No_X )

Public Works recommends that the Board of Supervisors waive the normal bid process and approve the purchase of three (3) 1995, para-transit buses by tagging on to the City of Chowchilla bid in the amount of $139,956.00 ($46,652.00 each) with The Bus Stop, Inc. of Newman, California.

Formal bids were opened on December 3, 1993, for two (2) 16-passenger, 1994 Para-transit buses on RFQ PW 93-07. (The third vehicle, at that time, was to have been a van.) On December 4, 1994, we received a communication from the California Transportation Commission that Prop 116 funds were to purchase from the State Contract or be involved in a group purchase with other government entities. We worked for five months trying to put together some type of group purchase but were unable to find anyone looking for the same equipment. Most were purchasing larger buses. In June, we were informed by most of the bidders that the bids were void since they could no longer provide the vehicles bid.

After many discussions with Mariposa County Transit staff, we decided to change our approach and go with three smaller buses (12-passenger), 138" wheel base for better manuverability. We also decided to go with a diesel engine for better fuel economy and performance. By modifying our specifications, we were able to finally connect on a group purchase.

The California Transportation Commission has verbally given its approval of the transaction since it meets the Prop 116 requirements (i.e. group purchase within price constraints). Provision of the Fund Transfer Agreement No. STP-94-005 require funds to be expended by January 19, 1996 or forfeit money.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

On July 24, 1990, Resolution No. 90-354 the Board approved the purchase of a transit bus through a tag-on with the City of Barstow.

On April 5, 1994, Resolution No. LTC 94-2, the Mariposa County Transportation Commission authorized the Executive Director to execute the Fund Transfer Agreements and related documents for purchase of buses in the amount of $140,000.00.

LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

1. Do not approve and try to find another group purchase which would further delay acquisition of buses.

COSTS:  ( ) Not Applicable
A. Budgeted current FY
B. Total anticipated costs
C. Required additional funding
D. Internal transfers

SOURCE:  ( ) 4/5th Vote Required
A. Unanticipated revenues
B. Reserve for contingencies
C. Source description:
Balance in Reserve Contingencies, if approved:

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:
List the attachments and number the pages consecutively:

1. Modification to Prop 116 proposal
2. Vehicle Quote
3. Letter to Department of Transportation

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CLERK'S USE ONLY
Res. No.: 94-384
Ord. No.
Vote - Ayes: 5
Noes:
Absent: 
Abstained: 
Approved: 
Denied: 
Minute Order Attached: 
() No Action Necessary

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

Date: ____________________________

ATTEST: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
County of Mariposa, State of California

By: _______________________________
Deputy

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:
This item on agenda as:

✓ Recommended
☐ Not Recommended
☐ For Policy Determination
☐ Submitted with Comment
☐ Returned for Further Action

Comment: ________________________________

A.O. Initials: ____________________________

Action Form Revised 5/92
AGREEMENT NO. STP-94-005
ATTACHMENT 1

MARIPOSA COUNTY—PROP 116 EXPENDITURES

PROJECT A. Purchase of PARATRANSIT BUSES (3) $140,000

BACKGROUND:

The Mariposa County Transit System is a dial-a-ride service open to the general public, though used predominantly by seniors. The County operates three handicapped lift equipped vans, each carrying up to 15 passengers. Two operate on the north and south ends of the County, and the third serves as a backup. Transportation is also supplied to scheduled medical appointments using a minivan and a sedan.

The County still uses a 1983 (for backup) and a 1985 bus. The County also uses a 1980 sedan with over 110,000 miles for transportation, which is to be replaced with one of the paratransit buses.

PROJECT:

The following purchases are proposed using Proposition 116 funds:

(3) 12 passenger paratransit buses

All vehicles will be handicapped lift equipped.

The vehicles will be operated by the Mariposa County Transit System and maintained by the County Vehicle Maintenance Facility. Vehicle replacement is planned for 4 to 5 years, or after 100,000 miles.
The Bus Stop, Inc.
2100 "L" Street • Newman, CA 95360 • (209) 862-4100 • FAX (209) 862-0935

Vehicle Quotation:

Customer: MARIPOSA COUNTY TRANSIT Date: AUGUST 16, 1994

Address: 4639 BEN HERR ROAD Attn: MR. MARTY ALLEN

MARIPOSA, CA. 95338 Phone #: (209) 966-5356

P.O. # Quantity: THREE New XX Used Gas DiseXX

Chassis Model: FORD E-350 1995 Body Model: COLLINS DIPLOMAT

Wheelbase: 138" Capacity: 12 PASSENGER SEE FLOORPLAN Rows: THREE

Headroom: 78" Seats: 36" FREEDMAN T-TYPE Delivery: 90 DAYS A.R.C.

Description: THREE (3) NEW 1995 COLLINS DIPLOMAT 12 PASSENGER PARA-
TRANSIT BUSES, PURCHASED OFF THE CITY OF CHOWCHILLA BID,
PER THE ATTACHED BID PACKAGE AND FLOORPLAN.

CITY OF CHOWCHILLA BASE BID PRICE ...............$42,180.00
1995 FORD CHASSIS W/ 7.3 TURBO-DIESEL ............ $1,920.00

TOTAL EACH PLUS TAX ...............$44,100.00

X3 UNITS

Terms: NET 30 DAYS AFTER INVOICE

Accepted:

By: ________________________________

Date: ________________________________

By: ________________________________

DAVID ROCHA, ACCOUNT MANAGER

All pricing valid for 30 days, or availability of stock units at time of purchase order. Prices quoted herein are based upon Federal, State, and Local Laws and Regulations governing truck equipment and performance levels in effect as of the date hereof. Buyer will pay for any equipment or performance changes, modifications, or additions required by any changes in such laws or regulations subsequent to the date hereof at the increased cost to seller.
TO: MIKE EDWARDS, Public Works Director
FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
SUBJECT: Purchase of Three (3) 1995 Collins Diplomat 12-Passenger Para-Transit Buses Resolution Number 94-384

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPosa COUNTY, CALIFORNIA,

ADOPTED THIS Order on September 6, 1994

ACTION AND VOTE:

9:51 a.m. Mike Edwards, Public Works Director;
D) Resolution Authorizing Waiver of Normal Bid Procedures and Purchase Three (3) 1995 Collins Diplomat, Twelve-Passenger, Para-Transit Buses through a Tag-On to the City of Chowchilla
BOARD ACTION: Discussion was held. Marty Allen/PWD Fleet-Fiscal Manager, provided input. (M)Erickson, (S)Parker, Res. 94-384 adopted authorizing tag-on bid process/Ayes: Unanimous.

cc: Mariposa County Transit Systems
Ken Hawkins, Auditor
Jim Estes, Community Services Director
Tom Archer, Community Services Director

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