

Resolution No.

STOCKTON CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION APPROVING FINDINGS AND AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF BRUSH RIGS

On September 14, 2021, Council approved the use of \$78,052,072 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds. The purchase of various fire apparatus and equipment were identified as eligible expenses, including fire engines; and

The City's fleet of heavy fire equipment consists of 17 fire engines, five ladder trucks, and eight brush rigs. The department utilizes the fleet of eight brush rigs for the purpose of fighting smaller fires that occur in hard-to-reach locations. The brush rigs provide an essential service to the Fire Department with their maneuverability and off-road capabilities; and

Public Works and the Fire Department have identified three brush rigs that have exceeded the standard life cycle and are recommended for replacement. The equipment being replaced will be removed from the fleet and sold at a public auction. Due to the re-opening of Fire Station 1 in April 2023, an additional brush rig unit will be added to the fleet for this facility, now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOCKTON AS FOLLOWS:

1. The City Council approves the following findings pursuant to Stockton Municipal Code section 3.68.070 in support of an exception to the competitive bidding process:
 - a. The City does not have staffing available to provide equipment customization builds plus additional professional upfitting services.
 - b. The use of the Single Available Source is appropriate for this contract due to the specialized nature and build of the equipment.
 - c. The use of the Single Available Source procurement is appropriate for this purchase because it allows the City to be more competitive in acquiring equipment in current industry conditions as vendors struggle to honor quoted pricing through the duration of a traditional government low bid procurement process, particularly with the custom build of the units.

- d. The use of the Single Available Source procurement will save the administrative expense of additional procurement attempts by City staff, given that there have already been multiple unsuccessful attempts to solicit bids and any additional attempts are not expected to garner a different outcome.
- c. The City negotiated a purchase following approval of the Single Available Source justification, which supports an exception to the competitive bidding process in accordance with SMC section 3.68.070.

2. The City Council authorizes the purchase of four brush rigs plus upfitting of an existing brush rig for the Fire Department in the amount of \$1,478,198 with DEROTIC Emergency Equipment of Rancho Cordova, CA.

3. The City Manager is hereby authorized to take whatever actions are necessary and appropriate to carry out the purpose and intent of this Resolution.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED September 12, 2023.

KEVIN J. LINCOLN II
Mayor of the City of Stockton

ATTEST:

ELIZA R. GARZA, CMC
City Clerk of the City of Stockton