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REPORT

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council
From the City Manager

May 3, 2004

Subject

Purchase of two (2) Altec 35-foot aerial trucks

Recommendation

By Motion approve the purchase of two (2) Altec 35-foot aerial trucks in the amount of \$153,076.32 from the State of California Office of Procurement under the California Multiple Award Schedule (CMAS) #4-02-23-0013A.

Background

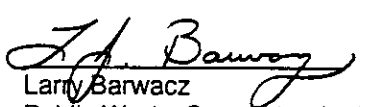
The Public Works Services Department has two (2) 35-foot aerial trucks (1988 and 1990), which are scheduled for replacement. The primary use of these aerial units is for the maintenance and replacement of street lights and traffic signals. Staff has been evaluating different makes and models of aerial lifts, and after several onsite demonstrations, staff agrees that the Altec aerial unit meets the needs of the Traffic Control Maintenance Section. The Altec unit offers improved safety features, platform access from the ground and an articulating arm for maximum height and reach.

Alternative

Not approving the purchase of these aerial units would impact the operational requirements of the Traffic Control Maintenance Section. Their existing aerials are extremely worn from heavy daily use. It would not be economically sound to invest in the continued repair of these vehicles due to their current age and condition.

Fiscal Impact

Funds for the purchase of these replacement aerial trucks were approved by City Council in the FY 2003/04 Equipment Replacement Fund Budget in the amount of \$143,760. The remaining balance of \$9,316.32 will initially be financed from retained earnings in the Equipment Replacement Fund. This amount will be subsequently recovered from the operating budget of the user department through the vehicle replacement charges in future years.


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Attachment: None