

MEMORANDUM

**Purchasing Division
Fire Department
Automotive Division**

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TO: Albert J. Rigoni, Village Manager

FROM: *Michael Aleksic*
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Frank Malczewski, Automotive Superintendent

DATE: September 8, 2009

SUBJECT: Agenda Item – September 21, 2009 Village of Skokie Board Meeting
TYPE I - MEDIUM DUTY AMBULANCE – FLEET # A17R/114

Pricing for the subject item was obtained through the Ambulance Joint Purchasing Program competitively awarded through the Northwest Municipal Conference, in accordance with the Illinois Joint Purchasing Act.

Budget Amount & Account: \$239,941.00 020-420-418.07-42

Tabulation:

Horton Emergency Vehicles, Grove City, Ohio\$200,649.00

Recommendation:

It is recommended that a contract be awarded to Horton Emergency Vehicles, and the Northwest Municipal Conference awarded contractor in the amount of \$200,649.00. The awarded amount includes the trade-in of an old A17R ambulance for \$12,500.

Comments:

The FY10 Capital Improvement Plan budget provides for the replacement of a 2000 Road Rescue Type I - Medium Duty Ambulance, currently Village Fleet # A17R/111. The current unit is being replaced at the recommendation of the Automotive Superintendent based on the age of the unit, mileage and life expectancy. The existing unit will be disposed of by trade-in to Horton Emergency Vehicles. The new ambulance will have an air suspension system for patient comfort; improved emergency lighting and a hydraulic oxygen lift to reduce the risk of back injuries.

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The unit will be constructed on an International (Navistar) 4300 chassis, which is consistent with units currently in our fleet. All of our department specifications have been incorporated into the new ambulance, keeping with consistent standardization of our existing fleet. The Automotive Superintendent has reviewed this issue, and is fully confident that the unit bid by Horton Emergency Vehicles will provide satisfactory performance for our applications. The Village has reviewed Horton's experience and history, and reference checks were positive.

The remaining \$39,292.00 in the budget will go towards the purchase of mobile and portable radio equipment, computer docking stations, KeySecure Knox Box entry system, 3M Opticom system, power stretcher, automotive multiplex diagnostic software and incidentals.

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