



City of Tacoma

Resolution No.:

Meeting Date: April 18, 2023

**Contract and Award Letter  
Purchase Resolution —Exhibit "A"**

**TO:** Board of Contracts and Awards

**FROM:** Michael P. Slevin III, P.E., Director, Environmental Services  
Justin E. Davis, Facilities Management Division Manager, Public Works

**COPY:** City Council, City Manager, City Clerk, EIC Coordinator, LEAP Coordinator, and Ryan Foster, Finance/Purchasing.

**SUBJECT:** Purchase of Four Vactor 2100i PD Sewer Cleaner Trucks, Interlocal - Sourcewell Contract No. 101221-VTR - April 18, 2023, City Council

**DATE:** March 10, 2023

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**RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY:**

The Public Works Department, on behalf of the Environmental Services Department, recommends a contract be awarded to Owen Equipment Co., Kent, WA, in the amount of \$3,117,500, plus applicable taxes, plus a 10 percent contingency, for a projected total contract amount of \$3,429,250, plus applicable taxes, for four Vactor 2100i PD sewer cleaner trucks, for a three-year term. This 10 percent contingency is added to allow for modifications as the vehicle is being built.

**STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:**

- Strengthen and support a safe city with healthy residents.
- Assure outstanding stewardship of the natural and built environment.

The contract supports healthy residents and assures environmental stewardship by replacing four Vactor trucks that are due for replacement. The new trucks will be equipped with tier four emission systems that produce fewer emissions than the older Vactor trucks, while delivering the required level of service.

**BACKGROUND:**

The vehicles currently in use are for the purpose of cleaning collection system structures, storm and sewer mains, and respond to customer requests, system failures and other maintenance tasks that require use of high pressure water and vacuum systems. These vehicles are in need of replacement due to them being at the end of their life cycle and the increase in cost to maintain and operate.

**ISSUE:** The first two vehicles will replace W6675 and W6676, a 2009 International Vactor and 2014 Freightliner Vactor, which are no longer cost effective to maintain and keep in service. W6675 and W6676 will be sold as surplus. The third and fourth vehicle replacements will be determined in 2025 based on budget approval, age, and operational condition. The contract allows for the purchase of two vehicles budgeted this biennium as well as two additional vehicles anticipated for purchase in the next biennium. Establishing a contract into the next biennium allows us to get current contract discounts from the Sourcewell Contract No. 101221-VTR for the third and fourth vehicles.

**ALTERNATIVES:** If this purchase is not approved, existing equipment will see increased overall operating, maintenance, and repair costs as well as higher air emissions when operating than the proposed new Vactor trucks. This could also affect service levels, water quality, and City and neighborhood aesthetics.



**COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION:**

Sourcewell Contract No. 101221-VTR was competitively bid and includes the equipment to be purchased. The current contract term is valid through November 29, 2025. The contract was awarded to Vactor Manufacturing and Owen Equipment, which is the local dealer. Through an interlocal cooperative purchasing agreement, the City will purchase the needed equipment at the prices, term, and conditions of this contract. Purchasing through this cooperative contract provides the City increased savings by pooling resources to leverage the market through volume discounts.

CONTRACT HISTORY: New Contract.

SUSTAINABILITY: This purchase will replace four vehicles that are due for replacement with vehicles that generate fewer emissions.

EQUITY IN CONTRACTING (EIC) COMPLIANCE: Not applicable.

LOCAL EMPLOYMENT AND APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAM (LEAP) COMPLIANCE: Not applicable.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

**EXPENDITURES:**

FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
4300 Wastewater	ENV-00099-01-01	Various	\$1,773,750
4301 Surface Water	ENV-00100-01-07	Various	\$1,655,500
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>Up to \$3,429,250</b>

**REVENUES:**

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
4300 Wastewater	523900	Rate Revenues	\$1,773,750
4301 Surface Water	521900	Rate Revenues	\$1,655,500
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>Up to \$3,429,250</b>

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: \$1,595,000

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Yes

IF EXPENSE IS NOT BUDGETED, PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW THEY ARE TO BE COVERED. N/A