



**Contract and Award Letter
Purchase Resolution – Exhibit “A”**

TO: Board of Contracts and Awards

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COPY: City Council, City Manager, City Clerk, EIC Coordinator, LEAP Coordinator, and Stan Rowden, Finance/Purchasing

SUBJECT: Purchase of One (1) Electric Rear Load Refuse Truck, City Council
Sourcewell Contract 032824-CRN and 110223-LEG – January 28, 2025 City Council

DATE: 12/20/2024

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RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY: The Environmental Services Department (ES) recommends a contract be awarded to Dobbs Peterbilt, Seattle, WA, in the amount of \$570,248, plus a 10 percent contingency of \$57,025, for a projected contract value of \$627,273, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the ES Solid Waste Fund 4200, for the purchase of one 2025 Battle Motors LNT-26 chassis with Labrie Leach Alpha III Rear Load to collect solid waste and/or recycling from residents.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

- Strengthen and support a safe city with healthy residents.
- Ensure all Tacoma residents are valued and have access to resources to meet their needs.
- Assure outstanding stewardship of the natural and built environment.
- Encourage and promote an efficient and effective government, which is fiscally sustainable and guided by engaged residents.

The contract will support City strategic policies by purchasing a fully electric garbage truck that will emit zero emissions. The electric truck will be a zero-emission vehicle delivering the required level of service City residents need. In addition to eliminating greenhouse gas emissions from this vehicle that support the City’s Climate Action plan, it will also help to reduce noise emissions as the electric vehicle will produce significantly less noise than a standard combustion engine vehicle.

BACKGROUND: The proposed Electric Vehicle (EV) rear load truck will be purchased through Sourcewell cooperative contract's 032824-CRN and 110223-LEG which have been competitively solicited and established to give government agencies the best pricing possible. The EV rear load truck will be a zero-emission vehicle capable of charging at the Solid Waste Recovery and Transfer Center. These benefits will support a more efficient, cleaner, quieter, and longer lasting fleet for collecting residential waste and recycling. The ES Solid Waste division has secured a grant from the Washington State Department of Ecology covering 80 percent of the cost for the EV rear load truck.

ISSUE: The proposed EV rear load truck will be used for collection of residential garbage and recycling with the cost to purchase the truck being 80 percent covered by grant funds.

ALTERNATIVES: The alternative would be to forfeit the grant funds received from the Department of Ecology and purchase a diesel or compressed natural gas (CNG) powered rear



load refuse truck. Diesel and CNG trucks both have higher carbon emissions than an EV refuse truck.

COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION: Sourcewell Contract 032824-CRN and 110223-LEG were competitively bid and include the equipment to be purchased. Contract 032824-PMC was awarded to Peterbilt Motors Company and Dobbs Heavy Duty Holdings, LLC which is the local dealer. This contract is valid through July 9, 2028. Contract 110223-LEG was awarded to Labrie Environmental Group and SWS Equipment, LLC which is the local dealer. Contract 110223-LEG is valid through December 28, 2027. Through an interlocal cooperative purchasing agreement, the City will purchase the needed equipment at the prices, terms, and conditions of these contracts. Purchasing through these contracts provide the City increased savings by pooling resources to leverage the market through volume discounts.

CONTRACT HISTORY: New contract.

SUSTAINABILITY: The proposed refuse truck was chosen to align with Resolution 40776’s goal of reducing carbon emissions by choosing an EV refuse truck. The EV trucks emit zero emissions in day-to-day operations.

EQUITY IN CONTRACTING (EIC) COMPLIANCE: Not applicable - EIC Exception: Interlocal/Cooperative Purchasing.

LOCAL EMPLOYMENT AND APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAM (LEAP) COMPLIANCE: Not applicable to this contract

FISCAL IMPACT:

EXPENDITURES:

FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME *	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
4200 ES Solid Waste Fund	ENV-00116-02-01	Various	\$627,273
TOTAL			Up to \$627,273

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
4200 ES Solid Waste Fund	512000	Various	(\$627,273)
TOTAL			Up to (\$627,273)

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: \$627,273

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Yes

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