



MANAGER'S MEMO ITEM

ITEM: Equipment Replacement Purchase - Ambulance
WORKSHOP DATE: November 22, 2005
PREPARED BY: David H. Barber, P.E., Director of Public Works
Stan Balicki, Assistant Director of Public Works – Operations
Phil Ruscetti, Fire Chief
BID AMOUNT: \$132,576 **ACCOUNTS:** 530.751.0000.5836
BUDGET AMOUNT: \$132,000
PURPOSE: To recommend the purchase of one (1) 2006 Ford E-450 Medtec Type III ambulance in the amount of \$132,576

BACKGROUND:

The Fleet Replacement Plan adopted by the Village Council as part of the fiscal year 2005/06 budget includes the scheduled replacement of an ambulance in the Fire Department. The vehicle being replaced (Unit 949) is a 1994 model year Ford F-350. A team of personnel from the Fire Department collaborated on the specification development process to ensure that the vehicle design and features allow first responders to enhance the Village’s high standards for public safety.

To ensure competitive bidding, the Village engaged the services of the Northwest Municipal Conference (NWMC), which provides significant financial benefits to municipalities participating in their joint purchase program. The NWMC received bids from numerous apparatus vendors, which resulted in the NWMC obtaining a joint purchasing contract with Foster Coach Sales of Sterling, Illinois, representing Medtec Ambulance.

Foster Coach Sales has proven to be a reputable dealer, which the Village has had a relationship with for the last twelve years.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

BID AMOUNT: <u>\$132,576</u>	ACCOUNT: <u>530.751.0000.5836</u>
BUDGET AMOUNT: <u>\$132,000</u>	

The Village has budgeted \$132,000 for the replacement of this vehicle. This budgeted amount does not include proceeds from the sale of the 1994 Ford F-350 ambulance, which is expected to sell for between \$5,000 and \$10,000 based on prior results from ambulance sales.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Village Council award the purchase of one (1) 2006 Ford E-450 Medtec Type III ambulance to Foster Coach Sales, Inc. of Sterling, Illinois in the amount of \$132,576.

REQUESTED COURSE OF ACTION:

Staff recommends that this item be placed on the Village Council’s Consent Agenda for approval on December 6, 2005.