

City Staff Report

Original signed by: City Manager Johnson

Report Date: November 14, 2023

Meeting Date: November 21, 2023

To: City Manager/Council

From: Fire Chief/ Director of Emergency Services

Subject: Approval of RFP bid for new Fire Engine

Purpose

To receive council approval for new fire engine through RFP bid process.

Summary

Council previously approved new fire engine for a cost of \$1,200,000.00, which came from manufacturers new cost estimate based on our 2014 fire engine. RFP closed on October 26, 2023 and a total of four (4) bids were received from manufactures all exceeding the previous approval. The reason for the cost increase is constant inflation on fire apparatus parts from the United States and the Canadian dollar.

The RFP bids were reviewed by fire department staff and an evaluation criteria process was used to determine which fire truck manufacture would be selected.

Ft Garry Fire Trucks meets and exceeds all RFP requirements and is consistent with our current fleet layout and design, while still maintaining best value. They also provided shortest delivery date. They are a Canadian Company based out of Winnipeg, Manitoba with designated Emergency Vehicle Technicians located in British Columbia for all warranty work.

Recommendation

That Quesnel City Council approve and direct the fire department to award bid to Ft Garry Fire Trucks in the amount of \$1,422,499.00 + taxes with \$400,000 in funding coming from the Fire Equipment Reserve and the remaining amount from the Growing Communities Fund Reserve.

Council Policy

Funding must be approved by council.

Background

The new fire engine will replace the existing reserve 1998 American Lefrance fire engine as well as transfer the 2009 Hub fire engine located at fire hall #2 which will be exceeding its front-line status of 15 years according to Underwriters Policy. This 2009 fire engine will then become the reserve engine until its final replacement. Our 2014 Ft Garry fire engine will be transferred to fire hall # 2 when our new 2024 fire engine arrives.