



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR  
September 28, 2021

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
From: Dee Williams-Ridley, City Manager  
Submitted by: Liam Garland, Director, Department of Public Works  
Subject: Purchase Orders: Bruce's Tire, Inc. for New Automobile and Truck Tires

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute yearly purchase orders for new tires for City owned vehicles and equipment with Bruce's Tire, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$2,900,000 for FY 2022 through FY 2026.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

Funds for the Purchase Orders are available in the FY 2022 through FY 2026 Equipment Maintenance Fund 672 in the baseline budget. It is anticipated that the annual amount is \$580,000.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

Public Works Equipment Maintenance regularly purchases a wide range of automobile and truck tires for City vehicles and equipment. These tires are needed for the safe operation of all City vehicles, including pursuit and other emergency vehicles operated by Public Safety staff, all cars and trucks (heavy and light) used to repair and maintain City streets, sewers, sidewalks, parks and landscape; and the heavier trucks and equipment used to transport refuse from the City's Transfer Station. In addition, tires need to be replaced for the safe operation and reliability of the mini-buses used in the senior and homeless programs and for all other City programs that operate transportation vehicles.

On April 16, 2021 Public Works released an Invitation for Bid (IFB Specification No. 21-11421-C) for New Automobile and Truck Tires. The IFB was released for approximately twenty-one days. Three bids were received and Equipment Maintenance and General Services staff reviewed the bids. Bruce's Tire, Inc. was determined to be the lowest responsive and responsible bidder that met the specifications.

BACKGROUND

Automobile and Truck tires wear out from normal use, carrying heavy refuse loads, construction and daily operations. It is imperative that all City vehicles, including passenger, light, medium and large trucks have tires in good condition to operate in a

safe manner. This purchase order supports the City's Strategic Plan Goal of Provide state-of-the-art, well-maintained infrastructure, amenities, and facilities.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE IMPACTS

Bruce's Tires, Inc. is working to limit their carbon footprint by recycling waste tires. They also retread the casings of truck and industrial tires per industry standards. Retreading generates 70% fewer carbon emissions than production of a new tire.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

Yearly purchase orders allows for the timely replacement and retreading will replace tires that have reached the end of their useful life. Bruce's Tires, Inc. was the lowest responsible bidder and has previously provided excellent service to the City.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

None.

CONTACT PERSON

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Attachments:

1: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

PURCHASE ORDER: BRUCE'S TIRE, INC. FOR NEW AUTOMOTIVE AND TRUCK  
TIRES

WHEREAS, automobile and truck tires are needed for City vehicles and equipment; and

WHEREAS, on April 16, 2021 Public Works released an Invitation for Bid (IFB Specification No. 21-11421-C for New Automobile and Truck Tires, the solicitation was released for approximately twenty-one days and three bids were received; and

WHEREAS, Public Works Equipment Maintenance and Finance General Services reviewed and evaluated the bids and Bruce's Tire, Inc. was determined to be the lowest responsible bidder to meet the specifications; and

WHEREAS, the annual cost of tires is approximately \$580,000; and

WHEREAS, funds for the tires are available in the FY 2022 through FY 2026 Equipment Maintenance Fund 672; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is authorized to issue yearly purchase orders with Bruce's Tire, Inc. for the purchase of new automobile and truck tires for City vehicles and equipment for a total amount not to exceed \$2,900,000 for FY 2022 through FY 2026.

