

# **MEMORANDUM**

December 2, 2013

**TO:** Board of Mayor and Aldermen

**FROM:** Eric S. Stuckey, City Administrator

Russell Truell, Assistant City Administrator / CFO

Becky Caldwell, Sanitation and Environmental Services Director

Brian Wilcox, Purchasing Manager

**SUBJECT:** Consider bid award to Stringfellow, Inc. of Nashville, TN in the total amount of \$144,621 for one (1)

truck-mounted knuckle boom loader and brush body for the Collection Division of the Sanitation and Environmental Services Department (Purchasing Office Procurement Solicitation No. 2014-016; \$144,621 to be budgeted in the Capital Improvements Fund for fiscal year 2014; Contract No. 2013-

0220)

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this procurement is to purchase a new truck-mounted knuckle boom loader and brush body for the Collection Division of the Sanitation and Environmental Services Department. This vehicle would be used by City crews to pick up residential brush, appliances, construction material, storm debris and anything else not suitable for a rollout container. The new truck would replace a 2006 Freightliner with EZ Loader Boom that has had heavy wear and tear and is scheduled this current fiscal year to be taken out of service and sold as surplus property of the City. The Sanitation and Environmental Services (SES) Department operates a fleet of four (4) knuckle boom trucks.

## **Background**

The City published on November 14, 2013 a Notice to Bidders in the *Williamson Herald* for a minimum of one (1) new and unused truck-mounted knuckle boom loader and brush body. In addition, bid documents were sent on or about the same date directly to ten (10) potential bidders known or thought to be interested in this solicitation. Bids from five (5) vendors were publicly opened at the bid opening held on November 26, 2013. A tabulation of the bids received for this solicitation is attached.

# Financial Impact

The apparent lowest, most responsive and responsible bid, from Stringfellow, Inc. of Nashville, is in the total amount of \$144,621 for a PacMac KBF-20H-HJ loader and TKB2030 brush body mounted on 2015 Freightliner M2-106 cab and chassis. This bid was identified because it is the lowest bid that meets or exceeds the City's intention as expressed and implied by the City's specifications as well as the instructions, terms and conditions pertaining to this procurement solicitation. As the FY2014 City budget anticipates this purchase to be financed by means of the City's FY2014 master lease arrangement, \$144,621 would, subject to the approval of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, be budgeted in the Capital Improvements Fund for fiscal year 2014

#### **Options**

In accordance with the bid documents, the City reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

### Recommendation

Staff recommends that the City accept the apparent lowest best bid, from Stringfellow, Inc. of Nashville, in the total amount of \$144,621 for a truck-mounted knuckle boom loader and brush body. Purchasing Manager Brian Wilcox is of the opinion that the prepared specifications as distributed allowed for competition among multiple vendors, and that the staff recommendation appears to be made in a fair and impartial manner based upon the bids received.