

16 CONTRACT 19/34 - SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF HEAVY TRUCKS

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RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Accept the proposal submitted by CMV Truck and Bus Pty Ltd (Volvo dealer) through Procurement Australia (ref 1908-0905) to purchase six off heavy rigid trucks fitted with suitable bodies at a total cost of \$1,868,330.00 (excl. GST) plus statutory charges, with delivery over up to 12 months be accepted.
2. Accept the proposal submitted by CMV Truck and Bus Pty Ltd (Volvo dealer) under MAV Australia Panel arrangement NPN04-13 Trucks for the purchase of up to two prime movers at a total cost of \$416,454.54 (excl. GST) plus statutory charges, with delivery over up to 12 months be accepted.
3. Advise all proponents accordingly;
4. Affix the common seal of the Council to the Contract documents where appropriate.

Attachments

- 1 Confidential Memorandum - Circulated to Councillors only 3 Pages

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council currently operates a range of trucks which are dedicated to maintenance or service based activities across the Shire.

A number of these units are at, or approaching the point where they need to be replaced.

A public tender was called via Procurement Australia (which is fully compliant with Councils obligations and of which Cardinia is a participant) for the replacement of six tip trucks used for roads and drainage maintenance. A total of five organisations responded to this tender and were assessed by Councils tender panel.

Pricing for a further two prime movers, one of which is used for road maintenance and the other pulls the Casey Cardinia mobile library trailer was sought under MAV Procurement Panel NP04-13.

A Volvo truck (to be supplied by CMV truck and bus) was evaluated as offering the best overall value for Council for these replacements, which will be staggered by up to 12 months to match replacement need and manage budgets.

BACKGROUND

Council's Operations department currently use a fleet of ten tip trucks and two semi-trailers, which are dedicated to supporting road and drainage maintenance activities across the Shire. A number of these trucks are past their normal replacement date and need to be updated.

In preparation of this replacement a review of the configurations of the trucks was undertaken to drive the best possible productivity, versatility and safety outcomes. From this review, the capacity of two of the drainage trucks will be increased to support greater efficiency, and enable more effective use for road maintenance when required, and two existing tipper body units will be replaced with live floor body units. The live body floor provides the capacity to spread rock more easily in locations where there is overhead vegetation or services, and eliminates the risk of contact with these services (as the body conveys the material to the rear using a moving floor rather than requiring the body to elevate to unload).

The two prime movers are assigned to very different duties. The unit to be purchased for using in road maintenance pulls a large capacity live floor body or a large capacity water tank dependent on the season. The second unit will pull the soon to be delivered new Cardinia mobile library trailer. This is the busiest mobile library in the state, with approximately 57,000 visits per annum, operating 6 days a week and servicing 11 rural towns within Cardinia Shire. This mobile library service supports the vast majority of the Shire with the only other permanent libraries situated in Pakenham and Emerald.

Replacement of these is in line with Council's long term plant replacement program, with a number of units more than 10 years old (oldest is a 2004 model) and being to be less reliable.

Replacement now is desirable to avoid more significant maintenance cost, loss of production time and maintenance effort which negatively impacts our service levels.

The recognised benefits for the Council and community will include:

- A more reliable fleet with minimal down time, thus maximising the opportunities to maintain essential services
- Higher efficiency and productivity due to technical upgrades and improvements
- Environmental improvements with newer compliance standards and lower CO2 emissions.
- Improved ergonomics reducing driver risk and fatigue with latest technology.
- Significant safety improvements for both staff and public with improved engineering solutions and safety functionality.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

RELEVANCE TO COUNCIL PLAN

An effective plant replace program is required for effective and efficient delivery of essential services which support the following council plan items:

- 1.1 Access to a variety of services for all (Library trailer)
- 3.1.1 Maintain all Council roads and supporting infrastructure in accordance with the Road Management Act 2004.

- 3.1.3 Provide accessible facilities to meet identified community needs. (Library trailer)
- 3.1.4 Manage Council's assets like roads, drainage, footpaths and buildings, etc. in a way that ensures they are adequately maintained over their life.

CONSULTATION/COMMUNICATION

Council's operational, and drivers working on the Library trailer staff has been consulted with in regards to the suitability and evaluation of the recommended equipment.

FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Funding for these purchases are included in the 19/20 approved budget and 20/21 provisions for plant replacement.

CONCLUSION

It is recommended that Council accept the following as the best value option for the Shire:

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