

Commission Agenda Item

Oct 20th City Commission Meeting

Consent Agenda

Consider approval of **Resolution No. 24-** __ authorizing the purchase of one (1) replacement ancillary unit to be utilized by fire department as the tow vehicle for the water rescue program. (Fire Dept.)

ACTION REQUEST

Authorize the purchase of One (1) replacement ancillary unit for the fire department water rescue program from Silsbee Ford in the amount of \$66,866.50 through the TIPS USA Interlocal Purchasing System.

BACKGROUND

Funds were approved in the FY 24-25 Fire Capital Equipment Replacement Fund and available to fund this purchase.

ANALYSIS

Along with a large industrial port, Texas City also enjoys the longest fishing pier in the world. Texas City is a popular sport fishing and beach area that attracts thousands each year that come to enjoy the Bay. Texas City Fire provides water rescue services that enhance the quality of life for citizens and visitors alike. The program is very successful, and continuation is recommended.

The old rescue unit appears fine from a general observation. However, the 25 years of saltwater exposure has taken its toll on the frame, undercarriage, and suspension components. Maintaining the pre-planned, scheduled replacement of this unit is recommended at this time.

All contracts available to members of TIPS USA Interlocal Purchasing System have been awarded by virtue of a public competitive procurement process compliant with state statutes.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

Purchase through the HGAC Buy Program