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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING DIVISION
County of Placer

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Ken Grehm, Director of Public Works
By: Kevin Bell, P.E., Deputy Director
SUBJECT: Equipment Purchase / Budget Amendment

DATE: August 10, 2021

ACTIONS REQUESTED

1. Approve a FY 2021-22 Budget Amendment in the amount of \$151,275 to increase the FY 2021-22 Environmental Utilities Budget (AM-00517) to purchase a 2022 Ford F550 with a hoist as a replacement for the existing truck (#1030) which has reached the end of its useful life. There are sufficient reserves in the Environmental Utilities Budget to cover the additional expenditure.
2. Approve the purchase of a 2022 Ford F550 Truck from Downtown Ford Sales of Sacramento, CA in the maximum amount of \$151,275.
3. Authorize the Purchasing Manager to sign all required purchasing documents.

BACKGROUND

Placer County currently owns and maintains 48 sewer lift stations. A lift station is an integral part of an effective sewage collection system. Its purpose is to elevate the wastewater to a higher elevation so that it can continue on to the treatment plant. Due to the County's foothill topography, the County is unable to solely utilize gravity in order to transport wastewater to a treatment plant. Thus, it becomes necessary to "lift" the sewage upwards using a pressurized sewer force main. The majority of the County's lift stations utilize a "wet well" which is a deep structure where the pumps are located. In order to service and maintain the pumps, it is necessary to remove the pumps from the wet well via a hoist mechanism. The existing truck hoist is 17 years old and has become increasingly expensive to maintain. Environmental Utilities has worked with DPW Fleet to obtain a quote for an F-550 with a hoist system in the amount of \$151,275 from Downtown Ford Sales utilizing the State of California Contract. Procurement Policy Section 3.5(A) permits contracting with a vendor that was awarded an agreement by another public agency as the result of a competitive process without further competitive bidding by Placer County.

Therefore, your Board's approval is requested for the requested budget amendment and the purchase of this truck from Downtown Ford in the amount of \$151,275.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The proposed action is not a project pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15378 and as such is exempt from environmental review.

FISCAL IMPACT

Sufficient reserves exist in the Environmental Utilities Contingency Reserves to transfer \$151,275 into the Environmental Utilities Budget (AM-00517). This action will have no impact on the County General Fund.

ATTACHMENTS

None

