

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

From: The City Manager

Subject: Blanket Purchase Order With Carrier & Gable

Manager's Recommendation:

I recommend that a blanket purchase order be approved and issued to Carrier & Gable, Inc., Farmington Hills, MI, in an amount not to exceed \$6,000 to cover repair costs of traffic signal equipment from July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009.

This vendor meets all requirements of the Contract Compliance Provisions, Title 1, Chapter 14, §14.35-14.44, of the Saginaw Code of Ordinances.

Funds for these services are budgeted in the following parts and supplies accounts, Traffic Engineering Account No. 101-4621-791-7330 (\$3,000.00) and in Major Streets Traffic Engineering Account No. 202-4621-791-7330 (\$3,000.00).

Justification:

On February 6, 1996, City Council approved a procedure for repairing traffic signal controller equipment. City staff does routine repair and maintenance on these solid-state devices. Sometimes complex repairs must be done by the manufacture's authorized service representative. Carrier & Gable, Inc., is Michigan's authorized service representative and offers standard pricing for each type of repair. After sufficient experience with repairing these devices, City Staff estimates annual cost for such services is approximately \$6,000.00. Since this service is necessary to properly maintain the city's traffic signal system and because Carrier & Gable, Inc. is the only authorized repairer in the region, it is clearly in the best interest of the City to continue this procedure from July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009.

Council Action:

Council _____ moved that the recommendation of the City Manager be approved.