

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

From: The City Manager
Subject: Rescue/Ventilation Saws

Manager's Recommendation:

I recommend that the low bid received from West Shore Fire be accepted and a purchase order be issued to them in the amount of \$2,011.03 for one (1) tempest ventilation saw and two (2) chains.

This vendor meets all requirements of §14.23, "Vendors", of "Purchasing, Contracting, and Selling Procedure," of Chapter 14, "Finance and Purchasing, of "Title 1,"General Provisions" of the Saginaw Code of Ordinances O-1.

Funds for this purchase are budgeted and available in the Fire Departments Fire Suppression – Capital Outlay Less than \$5,000 Account No. 101-3751-751-9705 (\$1673.53) and the Parts & Supplies Account No. 101-3751-751-73-30 (\$337.50).

Justification:

Rescue/ventilation saws are specialized pieces of equipment essential to Fire Department operations. These saws are used on a daily basis and are subjected to very harsh conditions. The saws currently in use have reached the end of their service life and need replacement due to rising repair costs and a lack of reliability.

On March 17, 2009 the Saginaw Fire Department received bids for two Tempest ventilation saws and four Raptor chainsaw chains. Following is a tabulation of bids received and reviewed by the Purchasing Committee:

Airgas Great Lakes Saginaw, MI	\$2,486.00
Care Controls Mill Creek, WA	\$2,387.02
West Shore Fire Allendale, MI	\$2,011.03

Council Action:

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