ITEM

VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE REPORT FOR THE VILLAGE COUNCIL WORKSHOP DECEMBER 9, 2008 AGENDA

SUBJECT:	TYPE:		SUBMITTED BY:
		Resolution	
		Ordinance	
Bid: Purchase of Two (2)	✓	Motion	Robin Weaver
Ambulances		Discussion Only	Interim Director of Public Works

SYNOPSIS

A motion has been prepared for the purchase of two (2) 2009 Medtec AD170 ambulances on 2009 International Chassis with Foster Coach Sales Inc., Sterling , IL using the Northwest Municipal pricing in the amount of \$433,226.00.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

The Five Year Plan and Goals for 2007-2012 identified *Exceptional Municipal Organization*. A supporting objective of this goal is *Top Quality Core Services Responsive to Current and Future Community and Citizen Needs*.

FISCAL IMPACT

The approved FY09 budget provides \$440,000 in the Equipment Replacement Fund for this purchase.

RECOMMENDATION

Approval on the December 16, 2008 consent agenda.

BACKGROUND

The FY09 Equipment Replacement Plan includes the scheduled replacement of two ambulances in the Fire Department. The vehicle's being replaced are units # 915 and # 917, both of which are 2000 Freightliner ambulances. These vehicles are assigned to Fire Station 3 and Fire Station 5 and are used daily in the delivery of emergency medical services to the community. As part of this purchase, the existing ambulance unit # 915 will be shifted to reserve status and the existing reserve ambulance unit # 906 will be sold at auction along with unit # 917 once the new ambulances arrives. Village staff reviewed the condition and maintenance history of these two vehicles and found that both ambulances have required extensive maintenance and repairs since January of 2007. One ambulance incurred repair costs for parts of \$38,887 and the other ambulance incurred repair costs for parts of \$31,710 during this period. In addition to these costs for parts, both ambulances incurred in-house labor costs of \$15,000 each.

Bid pricing for the proposed ambulance purchases is available through the NWMC fire apparatus cooperative purchasing program. Located in Des Plaines, Illinois, the NWMC is a council of governments similar to the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference that administers and coordinates this program to provide municipalities the lowest possible pricing. The NWMC received bids from numerous fire apparatus vendors, which resulted in purchasing contracts with Qualified Responsive bidder Foster Coach and one alternate Vendor Wheeled Coach. The pricing then becomes available to any municipality within the State of Illinois. The final price of \$433,226 for the purchase of the two ambulances will be \$6,774.00 under budget for this line item.

ATTACHMENTS