



MEMO

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

To: Board of Public Works
From: Jake Van Gompel, Street Superintendent
Date: January 6, 2024
Re: Agenda Item 2a, Recommendation for Award of New Automated Garbage Truck

Background information:

Bids were received on December 11, 2024, as two separate items for a new automated garbage truck. The bid packet was broken down to separate the chassis from the body. The Street Department postponed a recommendation because of some unfamiliar chassis that were bid.

Low bid on the chassis side came in from Kriete Truck Center out of Green Bay. This truck was demoed by staff and mechanic and there were a few concerns for recommending to award. Operator comfort and visibility, not meeting specifications for horsepower, and having a Mac engine, which would be the only one in the Street Department equipment fleet.

After review of equipment and bids staff believes the Battle chassis with Labrie body is the best option for our operations. Driver comfort, mechanic recommendation, and costs are all factors considered when making a recommendation on equipment. Please see attached bid tabulations.

Strategic Plan:

To continue providing a high quality of life through services the Street Department must replace older equipment to keep up with demand of a growing city and limit down time.

Budget:

The purchase of this new automated garbage truck will be funded from the equipment fund in the 2025 Capital Improvement Plan.

Recommended action:

Authorize the Street Superintendent to award bid to R-Now Incorporated for the Battle chassis and Labrie body for a total price of \$391,373.

