

Brevard County Board of County Commissioners

2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way Viera, FL 32940

Legislation Text

File #: 6516, Version: 1

Subject:

Standardization of Utility Services Department Operations Equipment

Fiscal Impact:

Approximately \$1 million annually is spent on Utility Services operations equipment.

Dept/Office:

Utility Services

Requested Action:

It is requested the Board of County Commissioners approve the standardized equipment list for Utility Services as it pertains to equipment, parts, and service. It is requested that the Board approve the standardized equipment list remain valid for up to five (5) years.

It is also requested that standardized equipment available from only a single vendor is approved as a sole source and would not be competitively bid. If more than one vendor is available then the most competitive vendor selection method will be utilized including Invitation to Bid, existing State, Florida Sheriffs, or other Government Cooperative contracts.

Lastly, it is requested the Board authorize the County Manager to execute all necessary contract(s), contract amendment(s), and extension(s) upon review and approval of the County Attorney's Office, Risk Management, and Purchasing Service, and to execute all necessary Budget Change Requests.

Summary Explanation and Background:

By standardizing the equipment purchased by Brevard County Utility Services Department, we seek the best value, through procuring equipment not solely based on price, but based on other considerations such as: performance, durability, function, and safety. Furthermore, additional savings and benefits are realized through standardization by:

- Limiting the value and quantity of highly specialized inventory parts.
- Focusing staff training to the repair and maintenance of standardized equipment.
- Limiting the requirements for specialized tools and equipment to perform repair and maintenance.
- Ensures a safer operational environment for staff, by fostering familiarity with equipment, reducing the potential for accidents or errors.

BCC-25 provides for standardization when it is determined to be more cost-effective and in the best interest of the County.

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The following are the operations equipment seeking approval to be standardized:

Equipment: Vac Trucks

Vendor: Jet-Vac Equipment Company

Function: Vacuum truck for sucking up wastewater for maintenance of lift stations or for discharges.

Benefits: Specialized equipment on Jet-Vac trucks allows for quicker job completion allowing more work

to be completed with less staff time. Jet Vac trucks take less time to maintain and experience

less breakdowns.

Equipment: Portable Generators
Vendor: Blue Star Power Systems

Function: Portable generators used when a power failure occurs at lift stations.

Benefits: Increases efficiency of installation and operation in the field by having Countywide familiarity.

Majority of our portable generators are Blue Star and proven to be reliable.

Equipment: Portable Pumps & Diesel Pumps

Vendor: Godwin (Xylem brand)

Function: Portable pumps used during operation repairs or during power failure at lift stations. Diesel

pumps function as the back-up pumping system when a power failure occurs at lift stations.

Benefits: Increased efficiency of installation and operation in the field by having Countywide familiarity.

Clerk to the Board Instructions:

E-mail Clerk Memo and Resolution to karina.perez@brevardfl.gov and mail the original to Utility Services.