

RESOLUTION NO. 3200

A RESOLUTION DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND WAIVING THE COMPETITIVE BID REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF A VERTI-CUT TURF THATCHER.

THE CITY OF ALBANY HEREBY FINDS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The City of Albany Parks and Recreation Department FY 1992-93 budget contains funds for purchase of a large turf thatcher. Considering the substantial number of acres in Albany's park system, it is in the best interest of the City of Albany to purchase a large turf thatcher to maximize labor efficiency.
2. There is only one known manufacturer of a large (11.5 foot) turf thatcher (the Brouwer Equipment Company).
3. The City of Albany is aware of only one distributor in the Pacific Northwest selling similar or competitive turf thatching equipment (Rayco Distributing Company).
4. The current list price for the Brouwer Verti-Cut Thatcher is \$13,287.00. However, Rayco Distributing has a 1992 model available for which the City has received a quote of \$9,435.00. The FY 1992-93 budget includes \$11,000.00 for a large turf thatcher. In light of the foregoing, granting of this exemption will result in a substantial cost saving to the City (to-wit: \$1,565.00) and granting the exemption is necessary in order to allow acquisition of the necessary equipment within the amount budgeted for its purchase.
5. The purchase of this turf thatcher without competitive bidding is in the public interest.
6. In light of the limited number of suppliers of the equipment of the type and size needed, it is unlikely that the granting of this exemption will encourage favoritism in the awarding of public contracts or substantially diminish competition for such contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Albany City Council, acting as the Contract Review Board, hereby declares an emergency and authorizes the execution of a contract without competitive bidding as provided for by the provisions of Section 2.64.060 of the Albany Municipal Code, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a contract in the amount of \$9,435.00 for a Verti-Cut Thatcher be awarded to Rayco Distributing Company.

DATED THIS 23RD DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1992



Keith Rohrbough, Mayor



Deputy City Recorder