



Borough of Oakland
Bergen County, New Jersey

Resolution 21-149
Award Bid-Fire Equipment

WHEREAS, the Borough of Oakland seeks to achieve cost avoidances and obtain discount pricing; and,

WHEREAS, the Township of Wyckoff, as the lead agency for the WOLF Cooperative Pricing System has requested Franklin Lakes and Oakland join in a procurement to aggregate fire equipment which each municipality intends to purchase in 2021 via advertised competitive sealed bidding to achieve discount pricing; and,

WHEREAS, the Township of Wyckoff is the Lead Agency for Cooperative Pricing System Number 176-WCGCPS-Wolf Group; and,

WHEREAS, this advertised competitive sealed bid procurement combines the purchasing volume for the WOLF Group and as such this procurement establishes unit prices for system members (Franklin Lakes, Oakland and Wyckoff) to utilize in 2021; and,

WHEREAS, a legal notice soliciting sealed competitive bids was published in the 02/19/21 issue of the Ridgewood News establishing a bid opening date which exceeds the state mandated notice period by nine (9) days; it was, posted on the Township of Wyckoff's web site at "Bids and Jobs" easily accessed from the home page, and specifications were provided free of charge to encourage competition; and,

WHEREAS, sealed bids were publicly opened and their contents read aloud on 03/09/21 at 11:00 a.m. and the vendors names and individual unit bid prices are listed on the summary of bid prices spreadsheet attached, as if set forth at length; and,

WHEREAS, the first column in the aforementioned spreadsheet lists the lowest individual unit price and the bidder. The Wyckoff Fire Chief recommends awards to the bidders in this column for each individual unit; and,

WHEREAS, item #30 on page 5 resulted in tie bid prices. Consistent with purchasing guidelines to prevent collusion, item #30 on page 5 awarded to vendor that was awarded other similar items from the same manufacturer. Item #91 – page 12, item #105 – page 13 are awarded to the tie bidder who is located the farthest distance from the Township of Wyckoff; and

WHEREAS, items #121, 122 awarded to Firefighter One for TNT battery operated hydraulic tools because the specified manufacturer was not bid and the Wyckoff Fire Department considers this an approved equal.

WHEREAS, items #19, 20, 22, 41, 42, 44, 45, 46, 48, 65, 68, 69, 70, 71, 109, 110, 112, 117, 118, 119, 120, on pages 3-15 were apparent low bid unit items, however, the leadership of the Wyckoff Volunteer Fire Department, after careful and thorough review, considered the proposed substituted items not an approved equal to the specified unit items and therefore, were not considered for an award; and,

WHEREAS, the Wyckoff Fire Chief's award recommendation to the bidder who bid the lowest individual prices is provided as follows:

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>UNIT ITEMS AWARDED</u>
1. Continental Fire & Safety, Inc. 2740 Kuser Road Hamilton, NJ 08691	19, 26, 41, 42, 43, 44, 46, 47, 48, 81, 82, 94, 104, 107, 108
2. Strategic Safety Dynamics PO Box 1022 Smithtown, NY 11787	69, 70, 71, 95
3. MES Lawmen Supply 66 Firemens Way Poughkeepsie, NY 12603	6, 12, 21, 23, 24, 25, 40, 72, 73 74, 84, 85, 86, 101, 102, 103, 105
4. Firefighter One, LLC 34 Wilson Drive Sparta, NJ 07871	1, 3, 22, 34, 35, 54, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 83, 90, 92, 93, 96, 121, 122, 123, 124, 126
5. Witmer Public Safety Group, Inc. 104 Independence Way Coatsville, PA 19320	2, 18, 20, 49, 55, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 87, 88, 89, 91, 113, 114, 115, 116, 125
6. NJ Fire Equipment 119-131 Route 22 East Greenbrook, NJ 08812	16, 32, 33, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 128
7. State Line Fire & Safety 50 Park Avenue Park Ridge, NJ 07656	5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 27, 28, 30, 31, 36, 37, 38, 97, 98, 106, 118 119, 120
8. Skylands Area Fire Equipment & Training 23 Hamburg Turnpike, Unit A Riverdale, NJ 07457	4, 7, 109, 110, 112

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer, has indicated that adequate funds have been appropriated under the line item entities "Fire – Other Expense" of the 2021 Municipal Budget; and,

WHEREAS, items 1A through I of Section 1 of the bid specification are referenced and applicable to this award authorization for the Township of Wyckoff as lead agency and the Borough of Franklin Lakes and the Borough of Oakland as participating members of this Cooperative Pricing System Procurement who shall be issuing their own purchase orders.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oakland that they do hereby award eight (8) contracts to the vendors for the individual bid unit items that they bid the lowest responsive and responsible individual bid unit prices in accordance with the specification and Wyckoff Fire Chief's recommendation attached as if set forth at length; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Oakland Fire Chief shall purchase through the centralized purchasing system via the preparation of requisitions for the fire equipment items at the awarded unit prices only and only those items required for the 2021 program. The Fire Chief shall meet periodically throughout the year with the Fire Chiefs of Franklin Lakes and Wyckoff to order common items, separately but at the same time for purchasing efficiencies, and to explore standardization of equipment to capture additional savings in future procurements; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Municipal Clerk shall mail a certified copy of this resolution to the Franklin Lakes and Wyckoff Administrators.

LINDA H. SCHWAGER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

LISA M. DUNCAN, BOROUGH CLERK

Date Adopted

	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Biale						
Kulmala						
Pignatelli						
Slasinski						
Talamini						
Van Eck						
Mayor Schwager						