

**ITEM 13. TENDER – PURCHASE AND SUPPLY OF FOUR LARGE CAPACITY
ROAD SWEEPING MACHINES**

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TENDER NO: 0912

SUMMARY

The City uses mechanical suction sweepers for the regular cleaning of roads and footpaths. The environmental benefit of the suction sweepers is that no water flushing is required, which minimises the impact on the City's waterways and stormwater systems.

This report provides details of the tenders received, in accordance with the Vehicle Replacement Plan. The new vehicles will replace four existing large capacity road sweeping machines, which are used on a daily basis and have now reached the end of their life cycle.

The new vehicles comply with the stringent Euro 4 engine standards, to minimise fuel consumption and greenhouse gas emissions.

RECOMMENDATION

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council approve Tender 'B' – Option 2 for the purchase and supply of four large capacity road sweeping machines; and
- (B) Tender Evaluation Summary, Attachment A to the subject report, remain confidential in accordance with Section 10A (2) (d) of the Local Government Act 1993.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Tender Evaluation Summary (Confidential)

BACKGROUND

1. The proposed purchase of four large capacity road sweeping machines will replace four existing road sweeping machines: two Schwarze A6500, one Mac Donald Johnson 605 and one Mac Donald Johnson 770 Cyclone, which are used on a daily basis by the Cleansing and Waste Unit.
2. The new vehicles comply with the stringent Euro 4 engine standards, to minimise fuel consumption and greenhouse gas emissions.
3. The four existing sweepers will be replaced in accordance with the Vehicle Replacement Plan for the reasons outlined below:

Schwarze A6500 (2 Sweepers)

- (a) existing sweepers have in excess of 12,000 operational hours and are due for a major mechanical overhaul, costing approximately \$100,000 for each sweeper;
- (b) the existing cab/chassis are six years old, and the City's replacement plan of large capacity road sweepers is four to six years; and
- (c) the vehicle cabins have sustained a large amount of damage and will require major panel replacement and repairs to bring them up to an acceptable appearance standard.

Mac Donald Johnston 605 (1 Sweeper) and 770 Cyclone (1 Sweeper)

- (d) the existing cab/chassis are 11 and seven years old respectively and the City's replacement plan of large capacity road sweepers is four to six years;
- (e) the vehicle cabins have sustained a large amount of damage internally and externally, and will require major repairs to bring them up to an acceptable appearance standard; and
- (f) the sweeping and suction equipment will require a major overhaul to bring it up to an acceptable operational standard.

INVITATION TO TENDER

4. The Tender was advertised in The Sydney Morning Herald on Tuesday 24 February 2009 and closed on Tuesday 17 March 2009.

TENDER SUBMISSIONS

5. Four tender submissions were received from the following organisations:
 - Mac Donald Johnston
 - Rosmechsales
 - Schwarze Industries
 - Spoutvac Industries

TENDER EVALUATION

6. All members of the tender evaluation panel have signed Pecuniary Interest Declarations. No pecuniary interests were noted.
7. Tender evaluation comments and the relative ranking of tenders as determined from the total weighted score is provided in the Confidential Tender Evaluation Summary – Attachment A.
8. All submissions were assessed in accordance with the following approved evaluation criteria:
 - (a) price;
 - (b) standard of compliance with tender specification;
 - (c) service provision;
 - (d) environmental management;
 - (e) delivery times; and
 - (f) references.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

9. Funds are available for this purchase in the 2008/09 Plant and Asset Budget.

RELEVANT LEGISLATION

10. The tender has been conducted in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993, the Local Government (General) Regulation, 2005 and the City's Contracts Policy.
11. Information provided by tenderers which is 'commercial-in-confidence' has been protected and will not be disclosed in accordance with Section 10A(2)(d) of the Local Government Act 1993. A consistent standard for all tenderers has been used in assessing any request for confidentiality by a tenderer.

OPTIONS

12. An option is to repair and maintain the four existing footway sweepers; however, this option is not considered cost-effective as the machines have reached the end of their economic and operational life cycle.

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