RESOLUTION NO. R-19-21

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BIDS FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF TAXICAB INSPECTIONS

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Interoffice Memorandum

TO: Carl Geffken, City Administrator

COPY TO: Danny Baker, Chief of Police

FROM: Alie Bahsoon, Purchasing Manager

SUBJECT: Taxicab Inspections

DATE: January 25, 2021



At the July 7, 2020 board meeting, the Board approved Ordinance 58-20 to amend the language in our Code of Ordinances and to require taxicabs operating in the City of Fort Smith to be inspected by an approved garage, as directed by the City of Fort Smith Police Department.

In an effort to meet the inspection requirements, a Request for Proposal (RFP-copy enclosed) was advertised and proposals were solicited from local vendors to provide taxicab inspection services. Of the 23 vendors that the RFP was sent to, we received the following two responses:

Stonebriar Auto Services (Jiffy Lube)
Kenny Wray Automotive
Inspection rate: \$90 per taxicab
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As noted by the attached memorandum from the Police Department, both facilities have been inspected and have met the requirements as outlined in the RFP. The inspection fee will be absorbed by the taxicab company and at no cost to the city. The fee will cover the services as specified in the attached Inspection Form, including overhead, labor, materials, equipment, tools, transportation, and all other costs incidental to meet and complete the requirements of the ordinance.

I am recommending that the board approve the bids and to award the contract to Stonebriar Auto Services and Kenny Wray Automotive. Having two vendors will allow the taxicabs companies to go to the location most convenient for them to have the inspections conducted.

Please let me know if should require any additional information.

INTERDEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM

To: Dean Pitts, Deputy Director

From: Lieutenant Steven Creek

Subject: On-Site Inspections

Date: 01/13/2021

Cpl. Story, Steve Bollinger (mechanic with Fort Smith Transit) and I traveled to Kenny Wray Automotive at 2900 Kelley Hwy and Stonebrier Auto at 8301 Phoenix Ave to inspect their facility and equipment. After speaking with personnel at each location and inspecting their facility, we believe that each location has an adequate facility, staffing, and equipment in order to conduct the required taxi cab inspections.