Lompoc City Council Agenda Item

City Council Meeting Date: October 4, 2005

TO: Gary Keefe, City Administrator

FROM: Ray Ambler, Purchasing & Materials Manager

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Subject: Award of a Contract to Purchase Paratransit Buses in the amount of \$360,730.84

RECOMMENDATION: that the City Council:

Approve the award of a contract for four (4 c) Paratransit Buses to Creative Bus Sales, Incorporated in the amount of \$360,730.84 and authorize the Purchasing and Materials Manager to issue a purchase order.

BACKGROUND AND/OR DISCUSSION: In prior years Fleet Services has recommended and the City Council has approved the purchase of Diesel Paratransit Buses. These buses were delivered, placed in service and have worked well with good operating costs.

The Transit Fleet now requires two (2) Paratransit Buses budgeted for FY 2005-06 and two (2) buses budgeted for FY 2006-07, which are available under State of California competitively awarded contract number 1-03-23-16, which ends in November 2005. Buses for next fiscal year, which are to be ordered now but delivered after July 1, 2006, will be under the current contract prices, terms, and conditions rather than the next contract which is expected to increase substantially. This award authorizes preordering the exact number of buses approved in the budget to take advantage of an expiring contract.

Staff therefore recommends that the City Council approve the award of a contract for purchase of four Paratransit Buses to Creative Bus Sales, Inc. This award has been reviewed and recommended by Anthony Garcia, Fleet Services Manager. Funds for this purchase are available in account 23000-75315.

Ray Ambler, Purchasing and Materials Manager
APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL TO THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR:
John Walk, Management Services Director
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Gary Keefe, City Administrator