

AN ORDINANCE WAIVING FORMAL BIDDING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF THREE (3) PIERCE FIRE ENGINES FOR THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK FIRE DEPARTMENT; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of North Little Rock (“the City”) needs to purchase three (3) fire engines for the North Little Rock Fire Department (“NLRFD”) to replace three trucks that require ongoing costly repairs; and

WHEREAS, the lead time when ordering fire engines is approximately 8 months, during which time the NLRFD would continue to incur high repair costs on the old units (see Exhibit “A” attached hereto); and

WHEREAS, Pierce Manufacturing, Inc. (“Pierce”), a well-known and respected manufacturer of fire engines with features that exceed industry standards, currently has three (3) Pierce NFPA Saber Chassis Fire Engines (manufactured in December 2014) available at its dealership (see Exhibit “B” attached hereto); and

WHEREAS, Pierce has placed these trucks on the website of HGACBuy, a unit of local government with over thirty-five years’ experience in making the governmental procurement process more efficient with competitively priced goods and services; and

WHEREAS, the three (3) Pierce NFPA Saber Chassis fire trucks can be purchased at a price (including tax and shipping) of \$396,096.82 each, or a total of \$1,188,290.46 (see quote attached hereto as Exhibit “C”); and

WHEREAS, by purchasing these fire trucks now, the NLRFD will realize a savings of \$81,000.00 in addition to the cost of ongoing repairs, and it is in the best interests of the City and its residents that the trucks be purchased from Pierce thru HGACBuy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: That formal bidding is hereby waived in connection with the acquisition of three (3) Pierce NFPA Saber Chassis Fire Engines for the North Little Rock Fire Department for the total amount of \$1,188,290.46.

SECTION 2: That the purchase authorized by this Ordinance has been included in the 2015 budget for the Fire Department under the line item for vehicles.

SECTION 3: That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

SECTION 4: That the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable and if any section, phrase or provision shall be declared or held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remainder of the sections, phrases or provisions.

SECTION 5: It is hereby found and determined that the Fire Department is in need of three (3) fire engines to maintain its current level of customer service for the residents of North Little Rock, and being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare; -THEREFORE, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED:

APPROVED:

Mayor Joe A. Smith

SPONSOR:

ATTEST:



Mayor Joe A. Smith *JAS*

Diane Whitbey, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



C. Jason Carter, City Attorney *JAC*

PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY/b

FIRE DEPARTMENT



JAMES MURPHY
Chief

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723 Maple Street
NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS 72114-4623

January 29, 2015

Mayor Joe Smith
300 Main Street
North Little Rock, AR 72114

Mayor Smith:

I am requesting that you sponsor legislation for the following:

- 3 – Pierce NFPA Saber chassis fire engines, Manufactured December 2014

Pierce Manufacturing, 2600 American Drive, PO Box 2017, Appleton, WI 54912 Tel. 920-832-3000
3 – NFPA Standard Compliant Fire Trucks @ \$396,096.82 each

Total price includes tax and shipping **\$1,188,290.46**

The amount of **\$1,188,290.46** should be appropriated from Line Item 3311 Funds.

Reasons we are waiving the bid process:

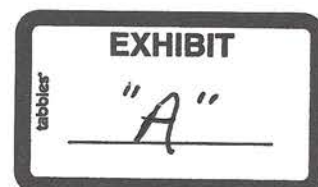
These trucks are currently available for sale at the dealership. They have been placed on the HGACBuy website if we purchase these now, the savings will be \$81,000. If we order the trucks to be built it will take approximately 8 months for the trucks to be built and while waiting we will continue to incur high repair bills on the existing trucks and the exact trucks will be an additional \$81,000. Also, these 3 trucks are sister trucks which means parts and service will be more seamless.

Sincerely,

James Murphy
Fire Chief

JM/cly

attachment



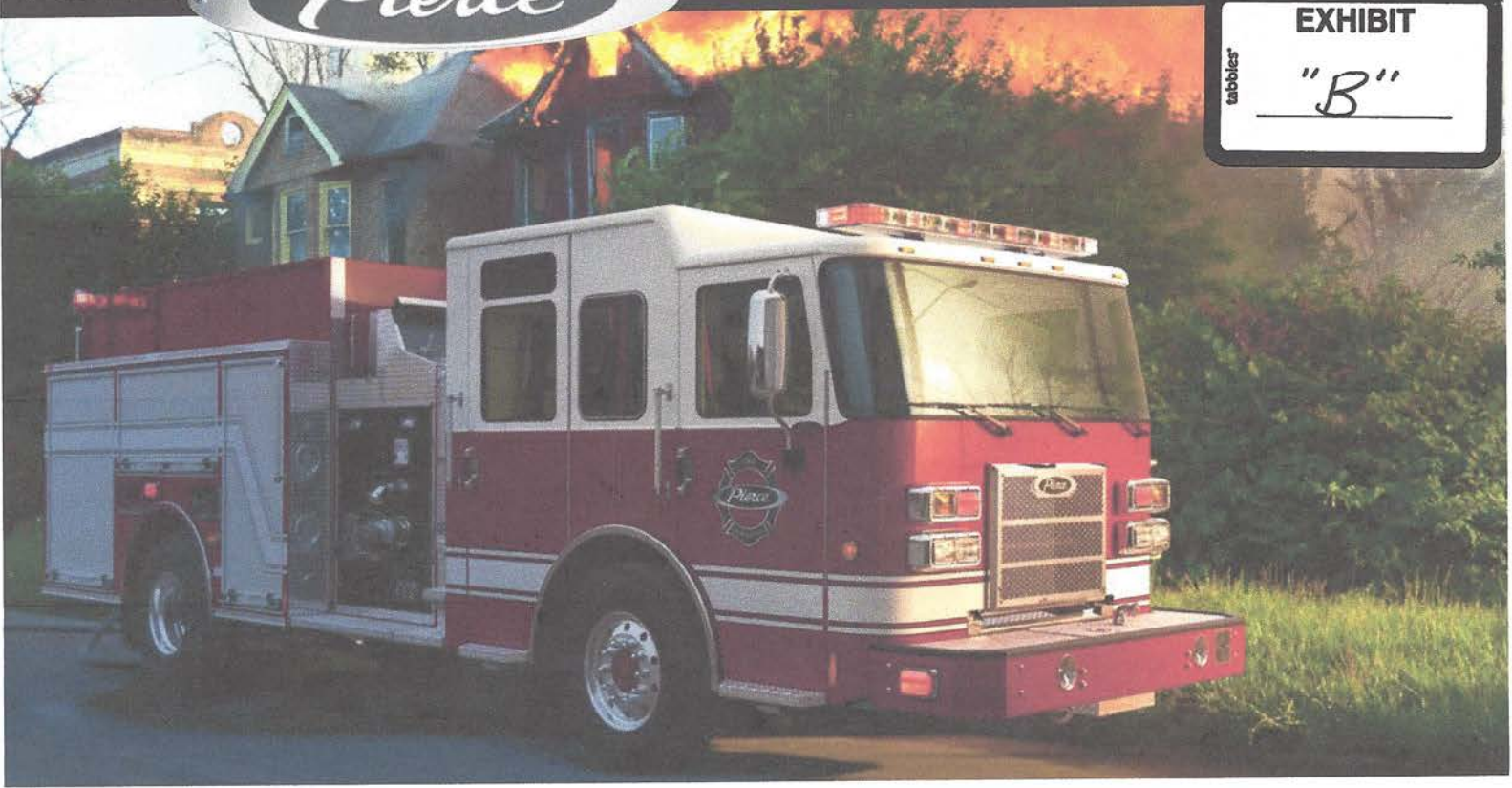
PIERCE NFPA SABER CHASSIS FIRE ENGINE





THE NEW **SABER®** CHASSIS

EXHIBIT
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Timeless reliability.

Pierce's timeless industry-standard now offers big improvements. The all-new Saber® chassis was built with the value-driven firefighter in mind – delivering advanced visibility, greater space, improved ergonomics and streamlined serviceability at an affordable price.

New Saber Standards

- Single bonded windshield with no center post and three-wiper system advance visibility
- Larger front door and smaller A-pillar improve side sight lines
- 96" wide cab and lower, smaller engine tunnel maximize space
- Greater seat belt access
- Forward roof design expands frontal visibility and configurable space
- Patent pending adjustable rear wall allows repositioning of forward-facing rear seats in 3" increments
- Exterior door handles designed for a firefighter's gloved hands
- Low, offset steps provide safer entry and exit
- Ergonomically designed console and metal overhead switch panel improve convenience and comfort
- Gauges and switches within easy reach of driver without interrupting lines of sight
- Flat officer work space configurable for options such as mobile data terminals
- Repositioned fluid check and access door located on the rear portion of the engine tunnel
- Easy access to defroster and wiper motor through removable officer-side panels
- Power distribution relocation provides more interior space and fewer harnesses in the frame/through the cab for easier servicing
- 54" raised air intake for emergency water fording conditions

SPECIFICATIONS*

SABER	
Engine	Cummins ISL 9
Engine Horsepower	350 – 450 HP
Transmission	Allison 3000 EVS
Alternator	275 – 350 Amp
Front GAWR (max)	20,000 lb.
Front Axle Suspension	Leaf
Cramp Angle (max)	50°
Rear GAWR (max)	31,000 lb.
Rear Axle Suspension	Leaf; Single
Frame Rail	10.25"
Cab Width	96"
Cab Length	60" or 70"
Cab Roof Style	Flat or Raised (10")
Seating Capacity	8
Doors	Barrier or Full Height
Side Roll Protection	Default
Frontal Air Bags	Default
Cab Tilt	45°
Electrical System	Hard Wired



Smaller, lower engine tunnel maximizes driver and officer space while improving visibility across the cab
All seats equipped with ReadyReach Seatbelts for easy usage in full gear



Standard wire raceways improve servicing



Forward roof design increases visibility and communication



Adjustable rear wall allows repositioning of forward-facing seats



Low stair-style steps allow easier and safer exit/entry



Daily checks access moved to rear of engine tunnel for easier maintenance



Flat, minimally contoured floor provides a safer platform



Cleaner switch layout with enhanced elbow and hip room

Learn more about the Pierce® SABER® chassis at piercemfg.com

*Some features listed are options.



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Features

The All-New Saber Features

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Tucker, Gerald

From: Will Topf <WTopf@gwevs.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 29, 2015 12:18 PM
To: Tucker, Gerald
Subject: FW: Truck pricing

Captain Tucker,

As we have discussed, the three trucks that I have presented you with a proposal for are currently still available and I have put a hold on them per your request. The total price for the three Pierce NFPA Saber chassis fire engines is as follows:

Total- 396,096.82
x 3
Total for three trucks====> 1,188,290.46

I appreciate your business and let me know if you need anything else,

Will Topf
Territory Sales Manager
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www.gwevs.com



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