



City Council Agenda Item Summary Report

Meeting Date: December 5, 2017

Submitted by: Police Chief Rob Sherwin

Consent	Public Hearing	Action Item x
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Item Title: Discuss and consider wrecker bids.

How this item ties-in with the City's Mission, Vision and Values:

Summary Statement

Sec. 4.08.002 of the Code of Ordinances states:

Sec. 4.08.002 Contract with city for engaging in nonconsent tows

(a) Required; term. No person may engage in nonconsent tows within the city without first being under contract. Every person desiring to provide such towing or wrecker service within the city may complete a contract to operate as an authorized wrecker service company. Each wrecker service company interested in submitting a contract to the city shall obtain a contract form from the city police department. Contracts will be submitted every October; they then will be renewed, rejected, or authorized and, if renewed or authorized, will go into effect the following January for a one-calendar-year term. Contracts will not be accepted January through September.

Per the City Code Section 4.08, the Forney Police Department must request bids from wrecker companies each year to provide wrecker services as needed. This bid process for this year has been initiated by placing an ad in the Forney Messenger for bid proposals. The new contract period will run from January 1, 2018 until December 31, 2018.

Past contracts have required that the wrecker service have proof of a permanent and established place of business and storage facility within the City limits of Forney or within 1 mile of the city limits from which the wrecker service will operate from. Busters Automotive is the only wrecker service that can comply with that part of the contract and they have provided good service to the Police Department with no issues this past year. The current annual contract with Busters Automotive will terminate on December 31, 2017.

Staff does not recommend changing the contract at this time.