

EWEB Board Consent Calendar Request

For Cooperative Contracts

The Board is being asked to authorize the use of a cooperative contract for the **Purchase of Four (4) Small Service Bucket Trucks with Altec Industries.**

Board Meeting Date: June 7, 2022
Project Name/Contract #: Small Service Bucket Trucks / 110421-ALT
Primary Contact: Karen Kelley Ext. 7153
Expected Spend: \$1,100,000 (one time purchase)

Narrative:

The Board is being asked to authorize the use of the Sourcewell Cooperative Contract 110421-ALT with Altec Industries for the purchase of four (4) small service bucket trucks. Like other cooperative programs, this Sourcewell contract leverages the purchasing power of public entities across the country to deliver competitive pricing and sourced contracts to public entities like EWEB. This Sourcewell contract offers discounts ranging 3-5% off MSRP.

Operational Requirement and Alignment with Strategic Plan

EWEB requires the use of Small Bucket Trucks for its Electric Line Troubleshooters (First Responders) which are used for routine operation and maintenance activities as well as emergency response activities during storms or outages. These new units will be replacing small bucket trucks that will have over 200,000 miles on them by the time the replacements are due in. EWEB staff have determined that placing orders for the units now is more cost effective than attempting to repair the aging equipment. The unit delivery times are 720-980 days after receipt of PO, and because of this, they will fall under the 2025 budget.

Sourcewell is a local government unit from the state of Minnesota that assists public agencies to contract more efficiently than as an individual entity. They establish competitively awarded cooperative purchasing contracts on behalf of itself and its participating agencies, including EWEB. Sourcewell follows the competitive contracting law process to solicit, evaluate, and award contracts for goods and services which facilitates the public procurement process and leverages governmental agencies purchasing power.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Management requests the Board authorize the use of a cooperative contract for the Purchase of four (4) small service bucket trucks with Altec Industries. The unit delivery times are 720-980 days after receipt of PO, and because of this, will fall under the 2025 budget. Approximately \$2.4 million is planned for vehicle purchases in the Electric 2025 Capital Plan (type 1) budget of \$22.95 million. Variances will be managed within the budget process and Board policy.