

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO PURCHASE ONE (1) USED 1999 THOMAS SCHOOL BUS FROM NATIONAL BUS SALES LOCATED IN TULSA, OKLAHOMA, IN THE AMOUNT OF FORTY THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED TEN DOLLARS (\$40,910.00).

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE, That there be and is hereby authorizing the Chief of the Fire Department to purchase one (1) used 1999 Thomas School Bus from National Bus Sales located in Tulsa, Oklahoma, in the amount of \$40,910.00. This purchase is approved pursuant to the provisions of T.C.A. § 12-3-1003 pending revision of the Purchasing Manual provisions relating to purchase of used equipment.

ADOPTED: _____, 2013

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City of Chattanooga

Purchasing Department

Artie Prichard
Purchasing Agent

Ron Littlefield
Mayor

February 22, 2013

Chief Randy Parker
Administrator
Fire Department
910 Wisdom Street
Chattanooga, TN 37406

Subject: 73081 – Purchase of One Used School Bus – Fire Department –
Organization J10204

Dear Chief Parker:

Council approval is recommended for the purchase of one used 1999 Thomas School Bus for the Fire Department.

This purchase of used equipment from National Bus Sales located in Tulsa, Oklahoma will be in the amount of \$40,910. The Bill of Sale from National Bus Sales is attached for reference. A comparison letter pertaining to the purchase has been attached.

City Code Sec. 2-552 allows for the purchase of secondhand equipment without taking bids. Although the supply pool for used school buses is limited, two quotes for comparable buses were obtained and the best bus found that meets our needs is being recommended for approval.

Respectfully yours,

Artie Prichard
Purchasing Manager

AP/dt

Attachments

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Purchase Requisition 73081 for Womac, Terry (40,910.00 USD)

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From	Womac, Terry	Description	MMRS 2010-School Bus
To	Purchase Approval Pool	Requisition Total	40,910.00 USD
Sent	21-Feb-2013 14:39:37	Estimated Tax	0.00 USD
Due	28-Feb-2013 14:39:37	Attachments	Specifications for bus.dot, Bill of Sale-Proposal.pdf
ID	648521		

Requisition Lines

Line Description	Cost Supplier Center	Unit	Quantity	Price (USD)	Amount (USD)
1 MMRS School Bus-1999 Thomas School Bus. Bus is a 77 passenger bus with rear entry, front engine. Bus has 75,000 miles on it. Bus is to be "shopped" mechanically, new AC unit installed on bus (106K BTU). Bus shall be painted red.	J10204	Each	1	40910	40,910.00

This Requisition requires Purchasing Approval or Rejection.

APPROVAL of this requisition will forward it to the next approval level.

REJECTION of this requisition will return it to the requestor with a rejection notification.

Approval Sequence

Num	Name	Action	Action Date	Note
6	Oates, Ulystean J Jr	Approved	21-Feb-2013 14:39:37	
5	Thornton, Danny Lee	Approved	21-Feb-2013 07:55:39	
4	Parker, Randall Lee	Approved	20-Feb-2013 12:13:50	
3	Talley, Debbie J	Approved	20-Feb-2013 11:52:30	
2	Womac, Terry L	Pending	20-Feb-2013 10:37:59	
1	Womac, Terry L	Submitted	20-Feb-2013 10:37:59	

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NATIONAL BUS SALES

8649 S. REGENCY DR. TULSA, OK 74131

BILL OF SALE

Date:

Company Name: City of Chattanooga

Contact Person: Daniel Hague

Address: 910 Wisdom St

City: Chattanooga

State: TN

Zip: 37406

Phone: (

Fax:

VEHICLE ORDER			
Qty: 1	Year: 1999	Make: Thomas	Body: MVP-FE
Capacity: 77	Engine: 5.9L	VIN: 1T88R3B22X1069462	Mileage: 75,000

Total Vehicle Sale Price:	\$39,800.00
Delivery Charges:	\$1,110.00
Misc Charges:	
Trade In:	
Total Down Payment:	
Balance Due Upon Delivery:	\$40,910.00

The bus will be custom painted (customer color) have a new 120K BTU A/C system installed, install 6 to 8 seats per customer requirement, shopped mechanically and electrically to be in very good condition, serviced and detailed. Ninety (90) day warranty, parts and labor @ 100% for the internally lubricated parts of the engine and transmission.

Signed by:

Seller National Bus Sales, Inc. _____ (Agent)

Buyer _____

Notarized Bill of Sale (Where Applicable)

Subscribed and sworn to me this _____ Day of _____, 2013

Notary Public

12011629

Notary Number

12/12/2016

My Commission Expires

Comparison letter pertaining to purchase request of surplus school bus

The Chattanooga Fire Department is looking at purchasing a surplus school bus to be retrofitted as a mass casualty transport vehicle. In looking for a suitable bus the following factors were considered:

- 1 – Mileage. We wanted a vehicle with as low of mileage as possible.
- 2 – Body condition. The best shape body possible to require the least amount of body repair.
- 3 – Air conditioning. The vehicle will be used to transport people injured in a mass casualty incident. Environmental control is pretty much a necessity.
- 4 – Age. The vehicle needs to be as new as possible.
- 5 – Color. Vehicle will need to be painted another color beside school bus yellow.
- 6 – Transmission. Vehicle needs to have an automatic transmission
- 7 – General condition. Vehicle needs to be rust free.
- 8 – Size. For the framework of the stretcher racking system, the bus needed to be a 77 passenger bus.
- 9 – Door location. Bus needed to have a rear entry / front mount engine to allow ingress and egress of stretcher dependent patients.

In looking for a bus to utilize for the purpose of making a mass casualty transport vehicle (AMBUBUS), the first stop was the Hamilton County Department of Education. The Hamilton County Department of Education contract service did not have any vehicles, at this time that could be available for surplus.

The second stop was the internet. While looking for buses on the internet, I found two main distributors for used school buses. The first was "The Bus Center" in Murfreesboro, TN. This bus was for sale for \$8,700.

The following is a synopsis of the bus utilizing the factors we were looking at:

- 1 – The bus had over 175,000 miles.
- 2 – The bus had large decals on all sides of the bus advertising the YMCA Summer Camp in Nashville, TN. There was some body damage to the bus itself. Minor damage, but damage just the same. The decals would have to be melted or sanded off of the bus.

3 – The bus did have air conditioning. The air blew cold, however the ambient temperature outside was in the 40's so the air conditioning would blow cold. The air conditioner was also 20+ years old and the Bus Center would not guarantee the performance of the air conditioner.

4 – The bus is a 1993 model Thomas school bus¹

5 – The color of the bus is white. However, the bus will need to be completely painted and body work will need to be done prior to painting.

6 – The transmission is an automatic which is what was wanted. The transmission did seem to have a leak.

7 – The bus was in okay to good shape externally. It did, as mentioned earlier, need to have some body work completed, decals removed by melting or sanding, and the entire bus would need to be worked and painted. The driver seat had been scavenged for another bus but another seat had been installed. The engine cover had also been scavenged for another used bus and another cover had been installed. The floor inside the bus itself would need to be replaced due to water damage. There were also several small oil leaks in the engine, the brakes would need to be replaced, as well as the tires were in need of replacement.

8 – The bus was a 50+ passenger bus and the framework would have to be shortened from an 18-stretcher patient frame to a 12-stretcher frame, reducing the capacity of patients to be carried.

9 – The door was in the proper place.

The other bus located was at National Bus Service in Tulsa, Oklahoma. This bus was listed for \$38,900. Below is a review of the inspection trip made to look at this bus.

1 – The bus had 75,000 miles on it.

2 – The bus body condition was in very good to excellent shape. Looking at the outside of the vehicle, I was only able to find 2-3 small dents from what looked like "rock dings". There were no other issues noticed on the bus. There was no rust noticed anywhere on the bus, either on the body or on the undercarriage.

3 – This bus did have an air conditioner; however, the company is a certified center and would install a new air conditioning unit on this bus.

4 – The bus is a 1999 Thomas school bus.

5 – The bus, at present is painted school bus yellow. The Seller has a paint shop and will paint the bus and insure the body is acceptable condition to be painted.

6 – The bus is an automatic transmission, which is what was required. There were no leaks noted. During the inspection drive, the transmission shifted properly and smoothly.

7 – The bus overall was in very good to excellent shape. There was one oil leak noted on the engine near the oil pan. There was no rust noted anywhere on the bus, neither anywhere on the body nor anywhere on the underside. No rust was noted in any corners or edges of the bus.

8 – The bus was a 77 passenger bus and would allow us to carry the maximum number of patients the framework would allow to carry.

9 – The door is a rear entry door with a front engine.

National Bus Service stated that they would put the bus through a complete inspection, fix the oil leak that was noted and any other issues that were not found. They would put new tires on the steering axle and retread tires on the drive axle, check brakes and provide documentation on the condition of the vehicle. National Bus, being a service center would also install a 106,000 BTU air conditioner on the bus as well as provide a complete paint job to the bus. The seller would also provide a warranty for 90 days on the bus, allowing the service to be completed at our fleet maintenance facility.

In examining buses since November, with these two buses being the best I have found, the best used bus we have found for our needs and money is the 1999 Thomas school bus from National Bus Service in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Thank you

Daniel Hague