



CITY OF ARANSAS PASS

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

First Reading Item for the City Council Meeting of [2/19/2018]
Second Reading Item for the City Council Meeting of [N/A]

Date: Thursday, February 08, 2018
To: Gary Edwards, City Manager
From: Chief Eric Blanchard
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Agenda Item #:
Title: City wide auction.

CAPTION:

Consider and act on approving the city to hold an online auction through Rene Bates Auctioneers of old, broken, or no longer used city property; and if the property does not sale at auction, staff may properly dispose of it.

PURPOSE:

As the city departments update their equipment, the old equipment starts to stack up. In order to get rid of the equipment and attempt to regain some of the potentially remaining value, the city holds auctions.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

Rene Bates is an online auctioneer service which has been around for a while. Rene Bates has a large customer base looking for products sold by city, county, and state governments. The potential for maximizing one's dollar is greater using Rene Bates online as opposed to holding a local auction here in Aransas Pass, Texas.

Rene Bates does not charge the city directly. According to the agreement, Rene Bates takes off 7.5% of the sale of an item as payment for their service. The remaining

balance for that item is then sent in the form of a check to the city from Rene Bates. Buyers are then required to show up and remove the property or pay for shipping expenses.

ALTERNATIVES:

Consider another auction service.

CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:

Requires council approval to dispose of the attached City owned property.

DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:

All Departments

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Financial impact will affect the general fund. All collected proceeds shall return to the general fund for this auction.

Fund(s): General fund.

Comments:

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of holding an auction with Rene Bates.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Master List of Property.pdf