

MEMORANDUM

TO: Nancy Flores, Director of Recreation

FROM: Ray Piattoni, Sportsplex Administrator

SUBJECT: Lifeguard Uniforms & Equipment

DATE: March 16, 2009

Attached, please find comparison pricing for: a). three lifeguard apparel items; b). four lifeguard equipment items; c). one water rescue item and d). one training item.

I have obtained bids from five potential vendors. Kiefer Swim Shop, of Orland Park and The Lifeguard Store have the lowest bids. Recreonics, Water Safety Products and All American Aquatics all provided bids that were significantly more and/or did not carry the requested item(s).

I would like to recommend fulfilling this purchase as follows.

The Lifeguard Store: Hip Packs, Break-Away Lanyards & Cut-A-Way Rescue Tubes: \$2100, plus shipping (see attached for per item pricing).

Kiefer Swim Shop: Female Suits, Male Suits, Board Shorts, Whistles, Seal Easy Kits and Dive Ring Sets: \$10,019.25, plus shipping (see attached for per item pricing).

There is \$25,000 budgeted in account 6050 for lifeguard uniforms and equipment.

Further, I would like to request approval to waive the bid process for the purchase of lifeguard uniforms and equipment.

Historically, these expenditures were under \$10,000. The actual *uniform* items total \$8700. While guard equipment and training aids make-up the remainder of the purchase.

All of these items are budgeted to be purchased out of account 6050.

Thank you for your consideration.

