



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

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Subject: Bid Waiver – ACCUTAB Tablets

History

- The Troy Community Center and Troy Family Aquatic Center (TFAC) currently are using Pulsar Units and Tablets as their chlorine feeder and tablet option.
- Currently the Pulsar product is being purchased from B & B Pools & Spas. B & B Pools & Spas is the sole source provider of the Pulsar product.
- Last year chlorine purchases were approximately \$8,000 at the Community Center and \$13,000 at TFAC.
- In an effort to update the system; the Recreation Department has investigated other options and has found ACCUTAB feeders and tablets to be a much better option for the following reasons:
 - This option is much safer and less maintenance than the current choice resulting in staff safety and reduced maintenance costs.
 - The new vendor will perform all cleaning services to the chlorine feeder which is currently being done by staff.
 - Pricing – Note that the pricing for the chlorine tablets is the same. The ACCUTAB product is in a large pellet form as opposed to small pellets; which is *much safer* for staff to handle so as to ensure staff is not exposed to chlorine dust when dispensing into the feeders.

	<u>Pulsar</u>	<u>ACCUTAB</u>
Cost	\$1.97	\$1.97
Unit Measure	50lb. Bucket	55lb. Bucket
Bucket Price	\$98.50	\$108.35

- The above pricing will be held for the duration of the three (3) year contract.

Purchasing

It is not possible to secure competitive bids because Aquatic Source of Commerce Township, MI is the sole source vendor in the State of Michigan for ACCUTAB tablets.

Financial

Funding will come from the Community Center Operating and the Aquatic Center Operating Accounts as budgeted and ACCUTAB chlorine tablets will be purchased on an as needed basis.



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Recommendation

City management recommends awarding a contract for three (3) years to supply ACCUTAB tablets and to provide chlorine feeder cleaning services for the pools at the Troy Family Aquatic Center and Troy Community Center to the sole source provider Aquatic Source of Commerce Township, MI at the State of Michigan dealer price of \$108.35 for a 55lb bucket, with the contract expiring April 30, 2018.