

City Council Agenda Item Memo

From: Jared Runge, Fire Marshal

Council Meeting: August 11, 2026

Subject: Resolution 26-052: Bid Award for Brookings Fire Department Hydraulic Rescue Tool Replacement

Person(s) Responsible: Jared Runge, Fire Marshal

Summary and Recommended Action:

Staff recommends approval of the proposed resolution awarding the Brookings Fire Department Hydraulic Rescue Tool Replacement to M&T Fire and Safety for the low bid price of \$74,920.00.

Item Details:

The Brookings Fire Department has budgeted funds in 2026 to replace aging hydraulic rescue tools with modern battery-powered rescue equipment. Battery-powered rescue tools provide improved portability, faster deployment, reduced maintenance requirements, and eliminate the need for separate hydraulic power units and hose connections.

The city held a bid letting on Tuesday, August 4, 2026, and the city received the following bids:

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| • M&T Fire and Safety | \$90,075.00 |
| • Heiman Fire Equipment | \$143,141.50 |

M&T Fire & Safety submitted the lowest responsive bid with a total bid amount of \$90,075.00. The bid specifications required vendors to provide line-item pricing for each tool to allow the city flexibility in selecting equipment quantities that best meet operational needs while remaining within available budget resources.

Based on operational needs and available funding, staff recommends purchasing the following equipment from M&T Fire & Safety:

1 – Heavy Duty Cutter	\$12,635.00
1 – Heavy Duty Spreader	\$12,700.00
1 – Light Duty Cutter	\$11,565.00
1 – Light Duty Spreader	\$12,460.00
1 – Push/Pull Ram	\$12,460.00
1 – Telescoping Ram	\$10,900.00
Equipment Total:	\$72,720.00

Mounting brackets were not included in the submitted bid proposal and are required for the proper installation and secure storage of the rescue tools on department apparatus. The estimated cost for a complete set of mounting brackets is \$2,200.00.

Total Project Cost: \$74,920.00

Legal Consideration:

The proposed purchase complies with the City's procurement and competitive bidding requirements. Staff has reviewed the bids received and recommends award to the lowest responsive bidder.

Strategic Plan Consideration:

- Fiscal Responsibility – The City of Brookings will responsibly manage resources through transparency, efficiency, equity, and exceptional customer service.
- Public Safety – The City will provide reliable public safety services and equipment to protect the community.

Financial Consideration:

The total cost of the recommended equipment package and mounting brackets is \$74,920.00. Funding is available within the Fire Department's approved 2026 equipment budget of \$75,000.00. No additional appropriations are required.

Supporting Documentation:

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