



Recycling Center and Transfer Station  
MEMORANDUM

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To: Mayor and City Council Members  
Cc: Gregg Mandsager, City Administrator  
From: Laura Liegois, Solid Waste Manager  
Date: March 27, 2015

Recycling Center  
Transfer Station  
Landfill Operations  
Refuse Collection

Re: Request to Purchase Truck Chassis for Automated Collection Refuse Truck.

**Introduction:**

The City of Muscatine's Refuse Collection program requested bids on a truck chassis for automated refuse collection truck on March 24, 2015

**Background:**

During the 2013-2014 fiscal year budget presentation for Refuse Collection, staff recommended a pilot program to start moving the refuse collection program into an automated collection program. The City of Muscatine's Comprehensive Plan has a section detailing the use of uniformed containers and automated collection of waste, which was part of the Quality of Life Committee's goals.

Staff sent out request for proposals for a truck chassis for the automated refuse collection truck. The following bids were received and meet the specifications requested.

Bids received on March 24, 2015:

Vendor	Truck Chassis
Elliot Equipment (Crane)	\$141,558.00
Truck Country (Autocar)	\$137,093.34
QC Peterbilt (Peterbilt)	\$132,989.00
Twin Bridges Truck City (MACK)	\$130,681.94

**Recommendation to purchase:**

Staff recommends the purchase of the newest model of the truck chassis from Twin Bridges Truck City for \$130,681.94. The 2014-2015 budget has \$230,000.00 budgeted for the packer body and truck chassis for the new automated collection program for the refuse collection.

*"I remember Muscatine for its sunsets. I have never seen any on either side of the ocean that equaled them" — Mark Twain*