




CITY MANAGER'S REPORT AGENDA ITEM REQUEST FIRE DEPARTMENT



DATE: April 19, 2016
TO: Edward Lavalley, City Manager
FROM: Shawn Carvey, Fire Chief 

CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE: April 26, 2016

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR COUNCIL'S APPROVAL, DURING THE APRIL 26th COUNCIL MEETING, TO REPLACE A FIRE ENGINE AND EQUIPMENT NOT TO EXCEED \$517,500 USING ONE CENT SALES TAX FUNDS

Background:

We have delayed replacement of our existing 1999 Pierce engine (a/k/a E54, Unit 156) since FY15. This unit had exceeded acceptable levels for a front-line apparatus and has been used as a reserve for several years. We have a 15-year replacement plan and this purchase will restore that cycle. The remaining units are still within their 15-year cycles.

Replacing the current Pierce with a new unit will provide consistency among the apparatus. This uniformity provides for increased effectiveness in operations for the fire crews as well as the fleet maintenance crews. Fleet Manager Peter Lilholt concurs that the consistency among the apparatus is best for the City. Ten-8 is the sole source vendor for Pierce.

The not to exceed amount was determined via working with the vendor to find a comparable apparatus to our existing fleet. A finalized and detailed specs document is in the development process. This purchase will also provide the opportunity to update some the equipment on the unit. It should be noted that Ten-8 participates in the Florida Sheriffs Association cooperative purchasing bid program. One Cent Sales Tax funds are available for use to purchase the replacement unit and equipment, thereby avoiding the addition of new debt.

Requested Action:

Council approve purchase to replace fire engine and equipment.

City Attorney Review: No Review required.

Risk Management Review: No Review required.

Finance Department Review: Approved.

Funds Availability: One Cent Sales Tax.

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