

City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: City Utilities - Solid Waste

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: May 15, 2017

Re: Appropriating funds for the replacement of Solid Waste Collections Vehicle #1924.

Executive Summary

Staff has prepared for Council consideration, an ordinance to appropriate funds for the replacement of Solid Waste Collections Vehicle #1924. This collections vehicle caught fire and was severely damaged and needs to be replaced. The funding for the replacement is from a combination of insurance payment and Solid Waste retained earnings.

Discussion

Vehicle #1924 is a 2015 Crain Carrier, Compressed Natural Gas Rear Loading Refuse Truck. On July 11, 2016 the vehicle caught fire and was severely damaged (see attached pictures). It appears that the fire was started by a short in the vehicle's electrical system below the cab of the truck. The Columbia Fire Department was able to extinguish the fire and there were no injuries associated with this incident.

City staff received a quote of approximately \$220,000 to repair the truck. The cost to purchase a new truck from the City's current term and supply contract is \$271,752. Solid Waste staff has consulted with Risk Management and Fleet Maintenance on whether or not to purchase a new vehicle or repair the existing one. Due to the severity of the fire damage and the potential for additional electrical and hydraulic system failures on the vehicle, it has been determined that purchasing a new vehicle is in the best interests of the operations. The existing vehicle will be sold at auction and revenues from the sale will be credited towards the purchase of the new vehicle.

This ordinance will appropriate \$271,752.00 for the purchase of the replacement vehicle. \$219,908.00 from the insurance payments and \$51,844 from Solid Waste Utility retained earnings.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: \$271,752 is being appropriated for the purchase of new Compressed Natural Gas Rear Loading Refuse Truck to replacement Vehicle #1924. Long-Term Impact: There are no long term fiscal impacts associated with this appropriation beyond normal operational expenses included in the annual operating budget.



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Vision & Strategic Plan Impact

Vision Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History	
Date	Action
None	None

Suggested Council Action

Approve the ordinance to appropriate the funds to replace vehicle #1924.