

# 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 20, 2019

Re: Appropriating funds for the purchase of a Solid Waste Division collection vehicle eligible for partial grant reimbursement through the Missouri Department of Natural Resources

Volkswagen Trust Government Truck Program.

#### **Executive Summary**

Staff has prepared for Council consideration an ordinance to appropriate \$300,000 for the purchase of a Solid Waste rear loading collection vehicle. The City applied for grant funding from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources Volkswagen Trust Government Truck Program for three (3) Solid Waste Division collection vehicles. The City has been selected to receive \$109,000 total in grant funding for these three vehicles. Two of the vehicles were included in the FY2019 budget and have been ordered. The third vehicle is proposed as a supplemental item in the FY2020budget. In order to remain eligible for the grant reimbursement the purchase order must be issued by June 14, 2019. In order to issue the purchase order the funding will need to be appropriated to the FY2019 budget and the request would then be removed from the FY2020 budget.

#### Discussion

The City applied for grant funding from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources Volkswagen Trust Government Truck Program. This funding is available for the replacement of government-owned 1992-2009 engine model year Class 4-8 trucks used for port drayage or freight and cargo delivery with a gross vehicle weight rating greater than 14,000 pounds. Examples of eligible trucks include, but are not limited to, courier services, delivery trucks, box trucks moving freight, waste haulers, dump trucks, and concrete mixers. Eligible replacement vehicles include any new diesel, biodiesel, alternate fueled or all-electric vehicle. The grant funding could provide up to 50% of cost of the replacement vehicle.

The City's application included replacement of three (3) Solid Waste Division collection vehicles and these vehicles have been selected for partial reimbursement as follows: Replacement of truck #1948, a front loading collection vehicle, total cost \$271,897, eligible for grant funding of \$38,000.

Replacement of truck #1958, a front loading collection vehicle, total cost \$271,897, eligible for grant funding of \$45,000.

Replacement of truck #1943, a rear loading collection vehicle, total cost estimated to be \$300,000, eligible for grant funding of \$26,000.

Once notified of being selected for the grant funding, the next step is purchase orders for the eligible vehicles must be issued and a copy provided to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources by June 14, 2019. Trucks #1948 and #1958 were included as supplemental



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items in the fiscal year 2019 budget and purchase orders for these trucks have been issued. Truck #1943 is scheduled for replacement in fiscal year 2020. In order to maintain eligibility for the grant funding towards the purchase of this vehicle, \$300,000 would need to be appropriated so that a purchase order can be issued by June 14, 2019. If approved, the replacement of this truck would be removed as a proposal in the fiscal year 2020 budget.

This is a reimbursement program and the grant funding is provided after the new vehicles are received by the City and the existing vehicles destroyed in accordance with the grant conditions. Once the grant funding is received, an ordinance to appropriate the funding will be provided for Council consideration.

### Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: The appropriation of \$300,000 would be used to replace Truck #1943 in fiscal year 2019 and the proposed fiscal year 2020 budget for the Solid Waste Division would be reduced by \$300,000 This will maintain eligibility for grant reimbursement of \$109,000.

Long-Term Impact: No long term fiscal impact associated with the grant funding.

### Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

### 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
01/07/2019	REP1-19 Application for VW Trust Settlement Funds through the Department of Natural Resources

#### Suggested Council Action

Approve the ordinance to appropriate \$300,000 for the purchase of a Solid Waste Division collection vehicle eligible for partial grant reimbursement through from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources Volkswagen Trust Government Truck Program.