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REPORT TO MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

DATE: July 18, 2018
To: Mayor and City Council
From: Earle M. Chesley, P.E., General Services Director
Subject: Repurpose funds in CIP 121 to replace a Water Utility Dump Truck

Recommendation

Accept this report and approve the attached consent resolution.

Background

The Water Utility Department's 2008 Ford F550 dump truck is out of service for major repairs. In its current condition, the unit will not pass a New Hampshire Motor Vehicle Inspection. Due to this unit's model year and duty service, GSD is reluctant to spend approximately \$9,600 on materials and labor for brakes, front end repairs, engine repairs, and welding/body work since the CIP 121 budget plan has this unit scheduled to be replaced in FY2020. If ordered in July of 2019, the completed new unit would not be delivered until April of 2020.

This unit is an emergency response unit for the Water Utility fleet and, in addition, performs winter snow operation duties. The Department is expected to respond to water main breaks immediately to transport equipment and materials to and from the scene. It is critical that this unit has 100% reliability.

Discussion

The General Service Department analyzed the cost to benefit to repair this unit versus purchasing a new unit and determined it is more cost effective to purchase a new unit. Additionally, the Department also considered the cost associated with keeping this unit about 20 additional months and the unknown cost of future repairs needed to maintain the current CIP replacement schedule.

Sufficient funds to purchase this replacement vehicle can be made available by repurposing \$22,484 from the Water Fund CIP 121 Fiscal Year 2017 and \$9,082 from Water Fund CIP 121 Fiscal Year 2018.

Cc James Major, Highway and Utilities Superintendent
Brian Levesque, Fleet Manager