



STAFF REPORT

DATE: May 16, 2017

ITEM #: 22

TO: City Council

FROM: Greg Malmquist, Fire Chief

AGENDA ITEM: Direct fire department truck committee to begin specification process for Rescue/Engine in preparation of 2018 CIP.

REVIEWED BY: Public Safety Committee

BACKGROUND: At its April 25th meeting, the Public Safety Committee reviewed the recommended 2018 CIP purchase of a Rescue/Engine. Committee members reviewed records for the past 5 years on E2 (primary vehicle to be replaced) including repair costs, time “out of service”, the fleet replacement plan and CIP. Committee was advised on the fire department truck committee and their role in developing the specifications for purchase of the vehicle. It was explained that this is a very lengthy and time consuming process.

This vehicle has been discussed during several budget cycles and was vetted extensively during the budget/CIP process last year by the Finance Committee

ISSUE BEFORE COUNCIL: Whether or not to direct fire department truck committee to begin the lengthy process of designing the specifications for a Rescue/Engine to be purchased in 2018.

While it is understood that Council cannot commit to 2018 CIP expenditures at this time, by directing the fire department truck committee to begin the specification process, Council is supportive of moving the project along in the process.

PROPOSAL DETAILS/ANALYSIS: If approved, the approximate timeline is as follows: Developing specifications for vehicle, 6 – 8 months. If vehicle is then ordered in early 2018, delivery would not be until late 2018.

FISCAL IMPACT: No fiscal impact to begin the process.

OPTIONS: Either direct the truck committee to begin the process or to not begin.

RECOMMENDATION: Public Safety Committee made a motion to support the 2018 CIP purchase of the Rescue/Engine and to direct the fire department to move forward with beginning the process of developing the specifications. Motion passed: 3-0