

Memorandum
City of Lawrence
Central Maintenance Garage

TO: David L. Corliss City Manager

FROM: Mark Bradford, Fire Chief

CC: Jonathan Douglass, City Clerk/Assistant to City Manager
Casey Toomay, Budget Manager
Alan Landis, Purchasing
Bill Stark, Division Chief
Steve Stewart, Fleet Manager

Date: September 17, 2012

RE: Fire/ Medical Department Vehicle Replacement for FY 2012

Request Fire / Medical vehicle replacement for FY 2012

Per your email approval dated September 7, 2012, the Fire / Medical Department and the Central Maintenance Garage is requesting replacement of the two utility vehicles listed below. Replacement point's spreadsheet for these vehicles accompanies this memo.

Vehicle Replacements

Unit 610 - 1999 Ford F250 Pickup Truck - This unit is 13 years old and has 65,393 miles currently recorded. Although the mileage is lower than the other vehicles its use is much higher based on engine running time. This unit was not equipped with an hour meter at time of purchase. This unit is assigned to station 3 as a utility vehicle. The unit carries rescue equipment and pulls smaller trailers. The dual rear wheels make it safer to drive and to better manage the load especially when responding to an emergency. Replacing this truck with a dual wheel vehicle will increase the department's ability to respond safely with the large trailers now in the fleet. Steve Stewart has indicated that 610 could be moved to an assignment in Public Works where a similar vehicle is needed.

Unit 656 - 1999 Ford Explorer - This unit is 13 years old and has 111,164 miles recorded. This unit is our oldest staff vehicle and has had many assignments over its lifetime. The unit routinely responds to emergency incidents and is used on a daily basis for backup incident commander and safety officer responsibilities. This unit would be replaced with a Police Interceptor Explorer as specified in City bid #1242. This purchase will standardize the emergency response fleets and reduce parts inventory at the Central Maintenance Garage through common parts shared by the sedan and utility interceptors.

Funding:

Funding was requested for these units during the development of the FY 2012 budget. Historical funding was through equipment reserve and was not shown as a department vehicle replacement line item request.

Action Request:

Allow staff to proceed with the purchase to replace these two vehicles as follows:

1. Bid a one (1) 1 ton, crew cab, four wheel drive, dual rear wheel pickup bed (6 foot) with trailer towing and snow plow packages.
2. Purchase one (1) Ford Explorer from Laird Noller Ford off of Bid #1242 in the amount of \$28,736.