INFORMATION PAPER

Department of Public Works January 19, 2021

SUBJECT: 5 Year Vehicle Replacement Program

1. Purpose: Provide background information on the City's 5 Year Vehicle Replacement Program.

2. Facts:

- a. In 2008 a moratorium was placed on new vehicle purchases with the exception of emergency vehicle purchases. The moratorium continued through 2020, resulting in an aging and deteriorated fleet with rapidly increasing maintenance costs.
- b. The Fleet Services Division conducted a City wide review of all department's vehicles. A vehicle replacement program was developed based vehicle condition and department needs.
- c. The City enacted a 3 cent per gallon gasoline tax to fund new vehicle purchases. A \$4 million bond was issued in 2020 for vehicle purchases. \$1.6 million was budgeted for each year of the program through 2024 in addition to the \$4 million bond. The program anticipates that \$10.4 million will have been spent on new vehicles by year 5 of the program with the remainder of the anticipated gas tax funding set aside to pay debt service.
- d. It is critical to continue the vehicle replacement program and follow the replacement schedule developed by Fleet Services to ensure safe vehicle operation and to fairly distribute funds to meet all department's needs.

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Enclosures: Vehicle Replacement Listing