Item 14.d.1 Parks and Recreation Department February 20, 2025

To:David Creery, Chief Administrative OfficerFrom:Adam Arand, Fleet Services SupervisorRe:Additional Funds Request

AIM

To obtain City Council approval for additional funds from the equipment reserve to be used to purchase a 1-Ton Dump Truck

BACKGROUND

The 2022 approved capital budget included the replacement of a 1-Ton dump truck for the parks department, with a budget deemed sufficient at the time. However, the tendering process encountered challenges when prices escalated due to heightened global demand and material shortages. As a result, tender submissions exceeded the budget by over \$55,000.00, prompting a postponement of the project in hopes of more stable supply and demand conditions. Staff explored the possibility of procuring a truck from a local dealership, but these vehicles were incompatible with existing attachments necessary to optimize the truck's functionality. A new tender submission deadline was set for January 31st, 2025, and four tenders were subsequently received. The lowest tender amount meeting specification was \$112,082.00.

COMMENT

The 2022 Capital budget allocated \$90,000.00 for this project. There are committed funds of \$2,965.00 that can be applied to this project. The overage is primarily due to the US exchange rates and prices remaining elevated from those prior to 2022. There is an increased probability that these prices will continue to increase due to tariff's imposed by the United States.

RECOMMENDATION

That Woodstock City Council approves an additional \$21,100.00 from the equipment reserve for the purchase of a replacement 1-Ton Dump truck.

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