

**Memorandum
Public Works Department**



To: City Manager
Subject: K-9 Vehicle
Date: February 24, 2014
Number: 2014-039

During an ice storm in December 2013, K-9 unit 2426, a 2011 Ford Expedition, struck a utility pole at 12th Street and 36th Avenue, which resulted in major right side sheet metal and frame damage. The vehicle was taken to Brad's Collision in Aledo for an estimate to straighten the frame. Brad's estimate was over 80% of the book value (\$23,125.00), thus totaling the vehicle. This unit was not scheduled for replacement until CY-2019 and had a remaining service life of five (5) years at which time the emergency lighting and k-9 kennel would be replaced with the vehicle. The current k-9 kennel and emergency lighting will only fit the 2011 or 2012 Ford Expedition models.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Public Works Department recommends that City Council authorize staff to purchase a used 2011 or 2012 Ford Expedition, with the necessary budget adjustment to the insurance fund in the amount not to exceed \$23,000.00. It is also recommended that an ordinance be drafted declaring the K-9 unit being replaced, surplus and permission be given to dispose of the vehicle in a manner that will be advantageous to the City.

Payment Amount: \$23,000.00
Account Chargeable:
Fund: 621 Self Insurance
Division: 157 Insurance
Cost Center: 133 General Liability
Object Code: 53602 Insurance Claims

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