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Robert L. Hedlund Mayor

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MEMORANDUM

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TO:

TOWN COUNCIL

FROM:

ROBERT L. HEDLUND, MAYOR

RE:

THE PURCHASE OF A NEW FIRE ENGINE AND NEW

LADDER TRUCK

DATE:

DECEMBER 3, 2020

I hereby submit the following measure for consideration by Town Council:

"That the Town of Weymouth transfer the sum of \$1,778,906.00 from the Stabilization Fund (8372) to a capital project fund for the purpose of funding costs associated with the purchase of a new (2020) fire engine and a new (2020) ladder truck."

This measure requires a legal notice, a public hearing and a 2/3 vote.

At the time of this submittal the unappropriated balance in the Stabilization Fund is \$8,628,592.21.

NOTE: The amount of this stabilization transfer will be replenished with FY21 Free Cash, which is expected to include the unappropriated \$10 million received via the Host Community Agreement with Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC.

m. Referral TC Vote Die.

Chief of Department Keith Stark

Deputy Fire Chiefs
Richard F. Chase
Steven Murray
Thomas D. Murphy
Steven J. Tilley
Justin F. Myers
Thomas E. Still

December 2, 2020

Mayor Robert L. Hedlund 75 Middle Street Weymouth, MA 02189

Mayor Hedlund,

Since the outbreak of the global pandemic in March, the Weymouth Fire Department fleet and the Town's mechanics have been battling a host of mechanical issues that have been plaguing our older apparatus. Most recently, our 2006 Ladder 2 and our 2014 Engine 3 have experienced major breakdowns, which will render them out of service and unavailable for months and costly repairs. Due to these failures of my front-line fleet and other issues with my available spare apparatus, I have been forced to borrow both a ladder truck and an engine from our neighboring communities. We are currently running a 21-year-old, 75 ft. ladder truck as a front-line response piece. As we head into the winter, which is historically the most difficult season for the apparatus, I have an emergent need to address this issue.

I have had the replacement of a Ladder and an Engine as a priority on my capital improvement plan for the past couple of years. Between the town mechanics and my firefighters, we have been making every effort to keep these important pieces of public safety equipment available but the volume of runs, increased public safety demands as a result of the compressor station in North Weymouth, and father time have taken their toll.

I am asking for the emergency approval of funding for a new Ladder truck and Engine. I have identified apparatus that is available immediately to address the needs of Weymouth. Allegiance Fire & Rescue can deliver the new Pierce apparatus by the beginning of January 2021. The total cost for these two new apparatuses is \$1,800,000. I fear that if we do not take this decisive action at this time, we will inevitably face this situation again in the near future at which time these available apparatuses may not be available and we will face wait times of up to 12 months. I will await your approval.

Sincerely,

Keith Stark

Chief of Department





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Chief Keith Stark
Weymouth Fire Department
636 Broad St
Weymouth, MA 02189

SUBJECT: Pricing and Leasing for Pierce Stock Aerial Ladder and Stock PUC Pumper

Chief Stark,

Thank you for inquiring about a stock Pierce Enforcer 100' Rear Mount Aerial and a stock Pierce Enforcer PUC 177 Pumper. The pricing for the trucks are as follows:

Truck 1:

2020 Pierce Enforcer 100' Rear Mount Aerial - Stock 34617 - Bid#570

Price: \$1,115,094.00

Tool Allowance: \$50,000.00

OVERALL PRICE: \$1,165,094.00

Truck 2:

2020 Pierce Enforcer 177" PUC Pumper - Stock 34271

Price: \$563,812.00

Tool Allowance: \$50,000.00

OVERALL PRICE: \$613,812.00

Combined Order:

OVERALL PRICE FOR BOTH TRUCKS: \$1,678,906.00

OVERALL PRICE FOR BOTH TRUCKS WITH TOOL ALLOWANCES: \$1,778,906.00

I have attached the leasing terms from Pierce through PNC Financial for your review as well to see if this may be a better avenue for you and your community. One very important benefit of the leasing program is that the first payment isn't due until one year after the lease commences. Being that both of these trucks are stock trucks that are already built, the first payment would be many months after delivery of the vehicles.





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Please don't hesitate to contact me for any questions or requests for information.

Thank you for your continued business with Pierce as it has always been a pleasure working with your town and your department.

Sincerely,

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Allegiance Fire and Rescue
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Attachment: Leasing Terms from PNC Finance

