

Takoma Park City Council Meeting – October 26, 2016 Agenda Item 4

Voting Session First Reading Ordinance Authorizing Replacement of Dump Truck #245

Recommended Council Action

Approve Ordinance at First Reading

Context with Key Issues

Truck 245 is a 2008, F450 dump truck, used by the Right of Way Division. It was in the Equipment Replacement Reserve scheduled to be replaced in FY18. This truck is integral to many of the City's functions including leaf collection and snow removal as well as general hauling. The Department would like to move up replacement of this truck to FY17 from FY18. The new truck would replace the existing truck in the Right of Way Division and the replaced truck would get recycled into the fleet and be used by the Sanitation Division for collection of food waste.

The current food waste collection uses Truck #225, which is a flatbed dump truck with removable wooden sides. This vehicle was previously replaced and the old vehicle was kept for this purpose. However this vehicle is having operational issues due to age, and its body style is not ideal for food waste collection. Since Truck #245 will have received a new engine and previously received a new truck bed, it is going to be in satisfactory condition to manage the food waste collection for several years.

The Department had anticipated that food waste collection would eventually be able to be combined with yard waste collection. As a result, the Department has not requested a dedicated vehicle for food waste collection. Instead this collection has been managed using retired equipment as a way to reduce the costs of collection services. It is still our hope that we will be able to combine the collection of food waste and yard waste in an existing vehicle rather than continue to collect it separately. However, until that time, we require a dump truck daily for food waste collection.

City staff requested pricing proposals from local Ford dealers. The lowest bid received was from Academy Ford for \$61,402 for the replacement dump truck. The existing Truck #225, which the old Truck #245 will replace, will be sold by the City for approximately \$12,000.

Council Priority

Fiscally Sustainable Government; Engaged Responsive and Service Oriented Government

Environmental Impact of Action

Maintaining City vehicles in good condition reduces pollution from their operation.

Fiscal Impact of Action

The cost for the new dump truck is \$61,402.

Attachments and Links

Two Reading Ordinance Authorizing Purchase of Replacement of F450 Dump Truck

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First Reading: Second Reading:

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND ORDINANCE NO. 2016-

AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE A REPLACEMENT F 450 DUMP TRUCK

- WHEREAS, in accordance with the City procurement procedures, the Public Works Department solicited price proposals for purchase of one F 450 dump truck; and
- WHEREAS, funds for this purchase are included in the Equipment Replacement Reserve; and
- WHEREAS, three vendors were contacted and Academy Ford provided the lowest bid; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND, THAT:

- Section 1. The City Manager or her designee is authorized to enter into a contract with Academy Ford for the replacement of one F 450 dump truck in the amount of Sixty-One Thousand, Four Hundred Two Dollars (\$61,402).
- Section 2. This Ordinance shall become effective upon adoption.

Adopted this _____ day of October, 2016.

AYE: NAY: ABSTAIN: ABSENT: