



CITY OF BANNING STAFF REPORT

TO: CITY COUNCIL

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MEETING DATE: January 9, 2024

SUBJECT: Consideration of Resolution 2024-01 UA, Authorizing the Purchase of a 2025 Ford F-750 Regular Cab Chassis with a 2,000 Gallon Water Tank for a Total Cost of \$180,593.96

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt Resolution 2024-01 UA:

1. Authorizing the Purchase of a 2025 Ford F-750 Regular Cab Chassis with a 2000 Gallon Water Tank ("2025 Ford Water Truck") for a total cost of \$180,593.96.
2. Authorizing the City Manager or designee to make necessary budget adjustments, appropriations, transfers, execute the necessary documents for the purchase of the 2025 Ford F-750 water truck.

BACKGROUND:

The Department of Public Works, Water Division, currently has a fleet consisting of several work trucks, large pieces of equipment (backhoes, loaders, etc.) and miscellaneous equipment (air compressors, welders, etc.). As part of its fleet, the Water Division operates one water truck which is utilized for dust control (e.g. dirt road maintenance), reaching compaction during backfilling of excavations and chlorination of water mains.

The single water truck operated by the Water Division is a 1995 Ford Aromax (Unit 834) that was purchased used on March 14, 2004 with 232,000 miles at the time of purchase and currently has 371,000 miles. In addition to Unit 834 reaching the end of its useful life, the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) has required that the City of Banning replace Unit 834 as it is not in compliance with SCAQMD Rule 1196, which governs public fleets with heavy-duty vehicles.

Staff has identified the availability of a 2025 Ford Water Truck through Sourcewell. Sourcewell, which the City is a member of, provides for cooperative purchasing options resulting in discounted costs and reduces staff time that would be used for development of a standalone request for proposals, outreach and proposal evaluation.

JUSTIFICATION:

Unit 834, a 1995 Ford Aromax water truck, is in need of replacement due to being at the end of its useful life and for not being in compliance with SCAQMD Rule 1196.

The Water Division of the Department of Public Works relies on Unit 834 for dust control (e.g. dirt roads, dredging of water ponds, etc.), reaching compaction during backfilling of excavations and chlorination of water mains.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding in the amount of \$150,000 for the purchase of a new water truck was included in the approved fiscal year 2023/2024 budget, in Account No. 660-6300-471.90-51 (Capital Expenditures/Automotive Equipment). A budget transfer will be made from the current approved expenditure budget in the Water Operations Fund (Fund 660) to the the account listed to cover the shortfall.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Adopt Resolution 2024-01 UA as recommended.
2. Do not approve Resolution 2024-01 UA and provide alternative direction to staff. Without replacing the existing water truck, the City will remain in non-compliance with SCAQMD Rule 1196. Additionally, Water Division operations may be jeopardize due to the unreliability of aging Unit 834.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. [RESOLUTION_2024-01UA.pdf](#)
2. [11976R1_CITY OF BANNING_F750 GAS WATER TRUCK_SOURCEWELL.pdf](#)
3. [CITY OF BANNING 2000 GAL WATER TANK ASSY .pdf](#)