

# Memorandum

**REPORT TO:** City Commission

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**SUBJECT:** Authorize the City Manager to Sign a Contract with the Montana Department of Environmental Quality for the FY26 Clean Truck, Bus, and Airport Equipment Grant

**MEETING DATE:** May 12, 2026

**AGENDA ITEM TYPE:** Grant

**RECOMMENDATION:** Authorize the City Manager to Sign a Contract with the Montana Department of Environmental Quality for the FY26 Clean Truck, Bus, and Airport Equipment Grant

**STRATEGIC PLAN:** 1.3 Public Agencies Collaboration: Foster successful collaboration with other public agencies and build on these successes.

**BACKGROUND:** The City of Bozeman submitted a grant application to the Montana Department of Environmental Quality Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Trust fund in January 2026. Eligible projects for the grant funding included replacing an older Class 4-8 on-road truck. Vehicles eligible for replacement shall have an engine model year of 1992-2009. During the capital improvement plan process, the fleet manager identified a 2008 Diesel fueled bucket truck to replace with a full electric bucket truck. Using the EPA Diesel Emissions Quantifier and based on the existing vehicle's annual mileage of 1500 miles, it is estimated the NOx emissions will be reduced by 102.58 pounds over the first five years of operation. This grant will fund 85% of the total cost of the new full electric bucket truck and the City will fund the remaining 15% of the total cost of the vehicle.

**UNRESOLVED ISSUES:** None.

**ALTERNATIVES:** As suggested by Commission.

**FISCAL EFFECTS:** Total expenditures are expected to be \$587,986.00. The grant will fund \$499,788.10 and the City match will fund \$88,197.90. Expenditures are included in the FY27-31 Capital Improvement Plan in the Streets Fund.

Attachments:

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