

CITY COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE: April 22, 2026

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ITEM TYPE: Resolution

TEMP. RESOLUTION NUMBER: TR 14389

AGENDA SECTION: **CONSENT AGENDA**

TITLE: TR14389 - A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Tamarac, Florida, authorizing the appropriate city officials to approve the purchase of eleven (11) replacement vehicles for the Building, Community Development, Fire, and Public Services Departments from Duval Ford totaling \$591,122, one (1) replacement bucket truck for the Public Services Department, from Altec totaling \$272,550, and one (1) dump truck for the Public Services Department from Rechten International totaling \$186,300 through competitive procurement methods and utilizing available cooperative purchasing agreements, including but not limited to contracts awarded by Sourcewell, the Florida Sheriff's Association (FSA), the State of Florida, and the Bradford County Sheriff's Contract, authorizing an expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$1,049,972 providing for conflicts; providing for severability; and providing for an effective date.

RECOMMENDATION: The Interim Director of Public Services recommends that the City Commission approve and authorize the purchase of eleven (11) vehicles from Duval Ford, one (1) from Altec and one (1) from Rechten International, utilizing cooperative purchasing agreements as outlined below. Additionally, it is recommended to authorize expenditures from the appropriate accounts in an amount not to exceed \$1,049,972.00; and that this item be placed on the April 22, 2026, City Commission Meeting Agenda.

BACKGROUND: Each year, the Public Services Department conducts a comprehensive review of the City's fleet to identify vehicles that meet the criteria for replacement. Key factors in this assessment include vehicle age, mileage, and cumulative repair costs. A recommendation is made when it becomes more economical to replace a vehicle than to continue maintaining it.

Replacement Vehicle Procurement:

The City will select the most advantageous procurement method based on operational needs. Cooperative purchasing contracts—such as those through Sourcewell, the Florida Sheriff's Association (FSA), and Bradford County Sheriff Contract—have proven to be the most efficient and cost-effective options.

The proposed vehicle purchases are as follows:

- Five (5) replacement vehicles for the Building Department from Duval Ford for an amount not to exceed \$206,337
- Two (2) vehicles for Community Development Department for an amount not to exceed \$72,554
- One (1) vehicle for Fire Department for an amount not to exceed \$65,000
- Two (2) vehicles for Public Works for an amount not to exceed \$362,497
- One (1) vehicle for the Stormwater Division for an amount not to exceed \$79,354
- Two (2) vehicles for Utilities not to exceed \$264,230

Replacement Criteria:

Analyzing the total cost of ownership (TCO) over a fleet vehicle's lifecycle is fundamental to determining the best time to replace it. An effective replacement plan depends on several factors including fleet age, usage, and maintenance and repair costs. The City maintains a flexible, prioritized list of eligible vehicles that meet or exceed the city's replacement criteria based on industry standards. A vehicle replacement evaluation methodology (outlined below) is used to ensure eligible vehicles are recommended for replacement.

Fleet replacement decisions are based on objective evaluations by the Fleet Division.

Criteria include:

- Service Life - Older vehicles typically require more maintenance and replacement parts may also be harder to come by. This adds to higher downtime and costs, decreasing salvage values. Aging vehicles also expose safety risks and can create adverse perception due to the image of an aging fleet.
- Vehicle mileage & Idle hours – The amount of time vehicles spend on the road or sit idle leads to more frequent repairs. Salvage values are also affected, as a high odometer reading plays a critical role in predicting resale

value.

- Repair and Maintenance costs - Preventative maintenance and repair costs allows the comparison of cost of productivity (mileage) versus maintenance and repair costs. Cost per mile and fuel miles per gallon are considered. Vehicles trending up in cost per mile could signal possible areas of failure.

This evaluation framework ensures that vehicles are replaced at the optimal point in their lifecycle to balance performance, cost, and salvage value. One or all these factors can be used to determine the eligibility of replacing a vehicle.

Replacement Cost:

Estimated replacement costs are based on cooperative purchasing agreements and reflect the pricing of equivalent makes and models. Staff also review operational needs to determine whether an alternative vehicle type may better suit department functions.

Optional features—such as utility beds or extended cabs—are included in cost estimates to align with departmental needs and improve budgeting accuracy.

Replacement Vehicles:

The following vehicles have been scheduled for replacement having met the above-mentioned criteria and sufficient funds remaining from prior year funding due to deferred purchases.

Replacements Previously Approved in FY 2025

Building Department

YEAR	VEHICLE DESCRIPTION	UNIT NO	DEP/FUND	EST AGE	MILEAGE	PF #
2017	FORD F150	564	Building Fund 301-3500	9	49329 *	C\
2018	FORD F150	565	Building Fund 301-3500	9	45492 *	C\
2018	FORD F150	566	Building Fund 301-3500	8	48401 *	C\
2017	FORD F150	563	Building Fund 301-3500	9	73020 *	C\

2018	FORD F150	568	Building Fund 301- 3500	8	60152 *	C\
TOTAL:						

Community Development

YEAR	VEHICLE DESCRIPTION	UNIT NO	DEP/FUND	EST AGE	MILEAGE	PF #
2014	FORD F150	620	Cap Equip Fund 301- 3020	12	70,046	C\
2015	FORD F150	622	Cap Equip Fund 301- 3020	11	45,298	C\
TOTAL						

Fire Department

YEAR	VEHICLE DESCRIPTION	UNIT NO	DEP/FUND	EST AGE	MILEAG	
2017	FORD F150 CREW CAB	379	FireRescueFund 301-4520	8	158,743	
TOTAL:						

Public Works

YEAR	VEHICLE DESCRIPTION	UNIT NO	DEP/FUND	EST AGE	MILEAGE	PI #
2014	FORD F450 12" DUMP BODY	2090	Cap Equip Fund 301- 5090	12	63,812	C'
2015	ALTEC BUCKET TRUCK	2099	Cap Equip Fund 301- 5090	11	104,250*	C'
TOTAL:						

Stormwater

YEAR	VEHICLE DESCRIPTION	UNIT NO	DEP/FUND	EST AGE	MILEAGE	PF #
2015	FORD F250 EXT CAB	2136	Stormwater Fund 410- 5050	11	66,000	N/
TOTAL						

Utilities

YEAR	VEHICLE DESCRIPTION	UNIT NO	DEP/FUND	EST AGE	MILEAGE	PI #
2013	INTNL. 10 YD DUMP TRUCK	4073	Utilities Fund 425-6002	13	21322*	N
2015	FORD F350 STD CAB/UTILITY BED	4201	Utilities Fund 425-6030	11	68,540	N
TOTAL:						

***Based on Idle hours (1hr = 30 miles)**

Upon replacement, surplus vehicles are disposed of per City Ordinance. The method generally used is via online auction, and any revenue received from the sale of surplus vehicles is returned to the appropriate fund(s).

Deferred Purchase Price / Best Fit Analysis

Replacement recommendations and associated costs are based on industry standards, vehicle life, and maintenance/repair costs of each vehicle. Prior to replacement, every unit undergoes a thorough evaluation to ensure it aligns with its functional purpose. As a result, replacement vehicles may vary in size or model compared to those being retired. These adjustments are made to better suit departmental needs, promote fleet consistency, or decommission discontinued models. When appropriate, the replacement may be a larger or smaller vehicle to best support operational efficiency and standardization within the fleet.

ISSUE:

Purchase of new and replacement vehicles as approved in the Adopted Budget, not to exceed a combined total cost of \$1,049,972.00 from the appropriate funds utilizing competitive procurement methods and current agreements available for cooperative purchase at the time of purchase.

STRATEGIC GOALS:

Goal #3: Tamarac is Economically Resilient

ATTACHMENTS:

[TR 14389 Memo - FY26 Vehicle Replacement 04.09.26.docx](#)

[TR 14389 - Resolution - FY26 Vehicle Replacement 04.09.26.docx](#)

[Exhibit 1 TR14389 Replacement List.pdf](#)