



## STAFF REPORT

**DATE:** February 1, 2022  
**TO:** Kent Cagle, City Manager  
**FROM:** Jim Kubinski, Fire Chief  
**SUBJECT:** Ratify Emergency Purchase for Repairs of Unit #240 (Ladder 9)

### **BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:**

The Fire Department sent Unit #240 (Ladder 9) to Metro Fire Apparatus Specialists in Mansfield, Texas to evaluate and repair significant leaks from the welded plumbing of the aerial waterway. Metro Fire is the company which originally built this apparatus and provides a lifetime warranty on all welded plumbing. While Unit #240 was in their possession, we requested a full TXDoT inspection, which had not been completed since the unit was placed in service in 2009. The 110 point inspection revealed the attached itemization of required and suggested repairs. Many of these repairs are required to remedy existing safety issues such as cracked frame cross-members and collapsed suspension components. A memo routed to the City Manager's Office explaining the reason the repairs are considered an emergency is attached.

### **THE ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:**

- 1: Ratify the purchase for repairs performed by Metro Fire Apparatus Specialists
- 2: Deny the ratification of the purchase for necessary repairs

### **Which alternative is recommended? Why?**

To ratify the purchase for repairs performed by Metro Fire Apparatus Specialists needed to meet departmental and industry safety guidelines.

### **CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:**

These repairs are in compliance with Texas Local Government Code section 252.022 and satisfies the City's legal requirement for emergency purchases.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

#### **What is the amount of the expenditure in the current fiscal year? For future years?**

This expenditure is \$180,798.82.

**Is this a one-time or recurring expenditure?**

One-time

**Is this expenditure budgeted?**

Yes, funds are available in the General Fund Fire Department budget in account 010-7070-442.42-51.

**If not, where will the money come from?**

N/A

**Is there a sufficient amount in the budgeted line-item for this expenditure?**

Yes

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the City Council ratify the purchase for repairs to Unit #240 by Metro Fire Apparatus Specialists in the amount of \$180,798.82.

**DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:**

Purchasing, Finance, Fire

**ATTACHED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

Quote

Letter of Intent

Certificate of Interested Parties