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MEMORANDUM

To: Kurt Triplett, City Manager

From: Archie Ferguson, Fleet Manager

Ray Steiger, PE, Superintendent

Julie Underwood, Director of Public Works

Date: August 26, 2021

Subject: DECLARATION OF SURPLUS VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council approve the declaration of surplus vehicles and equipment identified in this staff report, which will lead to their removal from the City's Equipment Rental Fund replacement schedule and to their disposal.

Approval of this item on the Consent Calendar will authorize the disposal of surplus vehicles and equipment.

BACKGROUND DISCUSSION:

The surplus of vehicles and equipment that have been replaced with new vehicles or equipment, or which no longer meet the needs of the City, is consistent with the City's Equipment Rental Fund replacement schedule policy. Under that policy, if a declaration of surplus is approved by the City Council then vehicles and/or equipment are sold or disposed of in accordance with the *Kirkland Municipal Code*, Chapter 3.86, "Sale and Disposal of Surplus Personal Property." The only exception relates to surplus Interceptors used by the Police Department. The Police Department has been given permission to retain surplus patrol units as needed to be used as Neighborhood Resource Officer vehicles.

Once a vehicle or piece of equipment is scheduled for replacement through the budget process, Fleet Management staff utilizes specific criteria to evaluate the vehicle or equipment prior to making a final recommendation for disposing of it. Among the replacement criteria considered are:

- Wear and tear on the engine, drive train, and transmission;
- Condition of the structural body and major component parts;
- The vehicle's frequency and nature of past repairs;
- Changes in the vehicle's mission as identified by the Department that it serves;
- Changes in technology;
- Vehicle right-sizing;
- The impact of future alternative fuels usage; and/or
- Specific vehicle replacement funding accrued.

The decision to recommend replacement of a vehicle requires the consensus of the Fleet Management staff and the department that it serves. Vehicles should be replaced close to the point where major repairs and expenses are anticipated to occur in order to maximize their usefulness without sacrificing resale value. Consideration of the vehicle's established accounting life (replacement cycle) is a key factor in that evaluation.

The replacement cycle of a given vehicle or piece of equipment is its years of anticipated useful life for the City. The replacement cycle enables staff to calculate a schedule and a fee to charge the home department so that the Equipment Rental Fund has sufficient resources to purchase a similar replacement if and when a replacement is needed. The replacement cycle is a guideline; the actual longevity of specific vehicles and equipment often varies somewhat from the established cycle based on the criteria listed above.

An outcome of the 2020 Fleet Rate Study was that most of our replacement cycles have been increased slightly to better reflect the actual life experienced by Kirkland's fleet. The City's updated replacement cycles are as follows:

Vehicle description	Prior replacement cycle	Current replacement cycle	
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Mowers/Field rakes	4 years	6 years	
Patrol police cars	4 years	5 years	
Small equip/Motorcycles	6 years	8 years	
Vehicle/Pick-Ups	8 years	10 years	
Large equipment	10 years	12 years	
Dump trucks/Vans	12 years	14 years	
Trailers	15 years	17 years	
Fire apparatus	18 years	18 years	

Based on the considerations and criteria reviewed in this staff report, the following vehicle and equipment are recommended for surplus:

Fleet #	Dept.	<u>Year</u>	Make & Model	<u>License</u>	<u>Hours/</u> <u>Miles</u>
F319	Fire	2012	Ford F450 Road Rescue 4WD	55018D	43,458
P126	PD	2011	Honda ST1300P Motorcycle	2615EX	55,365
TP-01	PW	2001	PB Crack Sealer 250-Tar Pot Trailer	35076D	2,753

- Unit **F319** has exceeded the replacement cycle of 8 years by one year.
- Unit **P126** has exceeded the replacement cycle of 8 years by two years.
- Unit **TP-01** has been inspected by the Fleet Division and deemed unsafe for continued use because of mechanical concerns.