

## **OKOTOKS FIRE APPARATUS PURCHASE UPDATE**

### **Issue**

An update on the Town of Okotoks Capital Project #47, Fire Pumper, is provided to the Intermunicipal Committee for information.

### **Motion Proposed by Administration**

That the Okotoks Fire Apparatus Purchase update be received as information.

### **Report, Analysis and Financial Implications**

The Town of Okotoks Fire Chief has requested a change in scope to previously approved 2020 Capital Project #47, Fire Pumper. Subject to the Master Shared Services Agreement between the Town of Okotoks and Foothills County, this information is shared with the Intermunicipal Committee.

Upon review of this capital purchase by the Town of Okotoks' new Fire Chief, an opportunity to create deployment efficiencies, operational budget savings and to enhance the long-term asset management of fire apparatus was identified.

An adjustment of the scope of this project which originally allowed for the purchase of a fire pumper, allows the build of this apparatus to include capacity to operate as a pumper and rescue unit which would eliminate the need for the current rescue unit from the Town's fleet.

Currently the Fire Department deploys a separate rescue unit along with a pumper for most motor vehicle accident and rescue incidents. With the inclusion of rescue capacity in the new pumper, Administration can dispose of the current rescue unit and save approximately \$0.015 in operational expenses annually.

Dual pumper / rescue capacity has also become standard in the industry and aligns with the current deployment strategy of the Foothills County Fire Department. Reduced response times will occur in situations in which fire crews are out of the hall in the pumper unit and will not have to return to the fire hall to obtain the rescue unit.

The current approved budget is \$0.663M for the pumper. The required budget for pumper rescue is \$0.868M.

An additional impact to this change in project scope allows for the disposal (sale) of the current rescue unit estimated at \$0.150M, roughly equal to the remaining book value.

Project Code 47 Capital: Pumper Replacement	
Funding Source: Grants	
Project:	Cost (\$M):
Original 2020 Budget	0.663
2021 Budget Amendment	0.205
Amended Project Total	0.868

**Attachment(s)**

1. Example pump / rescue unit
2. Current Town of Okotoks rescue unit

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