



Date: September 15, 2026
Department: Public Works Department
Presenter: Craig Leseberg, Public Works Director
Subject: Used Service Pickup with Crane

Purpose:

To authorize staff to begin actively searching for a used service pickup equipped with a crane, within a revised budget of up to \$75,000, and authorize travel expenses to retrieve the vehicle.

Background:

There are currently 5 vehicles in the Town's fleet. Specifications of the fleet are as follows:

Vehicle Year	Make	Model	Description
1997	Ford	F-250	Service Body
2004	Ford	F-350	Service Body with Crane
2012	Ford	F-550	Dump Truck/Sander Truck
2016	Ford	F-150	WWTP
2019	Ford	F-150	Service Body

Adding a vehicle to the Town's fleet will reduce the use of personal vehicles for Town operations by ensuring a vehicle is available for every member of the Field Operations team. Existing vehicles are aging and will be due for replacement in future fiscal years.

Staff would like to purchase a used pickup with a service body and crane. A service body would provide essential tools and parts storage, while a crane would allow staff to more easily remove, install, and service lift-station pumps. Council budgeted \$45,000 in FY27 for a used service pickup but did not budget for the pickup to come equipped with a crane. Council would need to add \$30,000 to the water fund capital outlays budget for staff to secure the requested vehicle *with* a crane. The total \$75,000 expense for the vehicle would then be split: up to \$45,000 for the used service body pickup billed to the general fund capital outlays and up to \$30,000 for the crane billed to the water fund capital outlays.

Used service pickups, especially those with a crane, may be difficult to find in Western Wyoming and often sell quickly once listed. Staff request pre-authorization to purchase a used service

pickup equipped with a crane, in an amount not to exceed \$75,000, and travel for inspection/retrieval in the event that a vehicle meeting staff's desired specifications becomes available.

Alternatives:

Option A - Authorize staff to purchase the best available used service pickup with a crane

- Benefits include: Adds needed fleet capacity; reduces reliance on personal vehicles and the Town's more-than-20-year-old crane truck; improves lift-station pump maintenance; and may obtain a service body and crane at a lower cost than purchasing and installing them separately.
- Challenges include: Used-vehicle availability, mileage, condition, specifications, and pricing can vary. The Town may also incur costs for inspection, delivery, registration, immediate repairs, tires, or additional equipment.

Option B - Authorize staff to purchase the best available used service pickup without a crane

- Benefits include: Adds needed fleet capacity and reduces reliance on personal vehicles
- Challenges include: The Town would need to continue to rely on its existing 20-year-old crane truck for lift-station pump work.

Option C - Defer the Purchase

- Benefits include: Avoids an immediate expenditure and allows more time to review inventory.
- Challenges include: Continues the fleet shortage and reliance on personal vehicles and the aging crane truck, including for lift-station pump work.

Fiscal Impact:

Council budgeted \$45,000 in FY27 for a used service pickup but did not budget for the pickup to come equipped with a crane. Council would need to add \$30,000 to the water fund capital outlays budget for staff to secure the requested vehicle *with* a crane. The total \$75,000 expense for the vehicle would then be split: up to \$45,000 for the used service body pickup billed to the general fund capital outlays and up to \$30,000 for the crane billed to the water fund capital outlays. Increasing the overall budget for the vehicle to \$75,000 may allow staff to find a vehicle with lower mileage, resulting in overall lower maintenance costs for this vehicle long-term.

Strategic or Community Impact:

An additional service pickup will improve infrastructure maintenance and emergency response. A crane-equipped unit would make lift-station pump work easier and safer while reducing reliance

on the Town's more-than-20-year-old crane truck. The additional pickup would also reduce the need for employees to use personal vehicles for Town business. The purchase supports reliable services, employee safety, and responsible equipment management.

Key Questions:

Is Council supportive of adding a vehicle to Public Works' service fleet in FY27, and amending the budget to do so?

Suggested Motion:

I move to authorize staff to purchase a used service pickup, equipped with a crane, in an amount not to exceed \$75,000 and direct staff to amend the water fund capital outlays budget by \$30,000 to accommodate this purchase.