

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM

MEETING DATE:	2/22/22
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AGENDA CONTENT:	Discussion and possible action to allow Angleton Fire Department to order a new Engine in 2022 to be financed in 2023 Fiscal Year
AGENDA ITEM SECTION:	Regular Agenda

BUDGETED AMOUNT:

FUNDS REQUESTED: \$650k

FUND: Loan payment will be paid via ESD funds

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

We are in immediate need to replace our Engine 2, ahead of the projected timeline. We have been seeing increasing maintenance costs over the last year with our Engine 2. This truck already has had some major maintenance performed to it since we have owned it. \$63k in the last five years, including an engine rebuild. We are seeing signs of motor trouble again and need to get ahead of the issues.

In 2014 the City took a loan out for our Engine 1, a 2013 Spartan. This loan was set to be paid off in 2024 with payments coming solely from ESD funds. After working with City Manager and Finance Director, this loan will be paid off early, in 2022. This is being done in hopes to order a new engine this year to replace Engine 2.

RECOMMENDATION:

We would like council to consider allowing the Fire Department to order a new engine this year, to take delivery in the 2023 Fiscal budget year. The city would need to reopen a loan for the payment of the truck in 2023. The loan line item for a truck payment through ESD funds is already budgeted through the ESD until the end of 2024. We will negotiate with ESD to continue this amount to help pay off the engine. We do not see any issues with this giving our growing coverage area as well as the increasing possibility of keeping the Holiday Lakes / Long Pond area.

Angleton Firefighter's Association is also looking into replacing our brush units with association funds this year, and the selling of the two older units. This will also help with negotiations with ESD.