



City Commission Agenda Item

Meeting Date: March 3, 2026

From: Stuart Cassaboom, Fire/EMS Chief

Item: HEMTT Versatile Fire Truck

Motion: A Resolution authorizing the City of Arkansas City to purchase a M977 Heavy Expanded Mobility Tactical Truck (HEMTT), from the Peninsula Fire Department in Cleveland, Oklahoma, for an amount not to exceed \$80,000.00.

Background: A HEMTT-based 2,500-gallon water tender offers unmatched off-road performance, massive water capacity, and multi-role flexibility—making it a far more capable and community-appropriate asset than replacing a 300-gallon 1-ton grass rig. Its proven durability and mission versatility ensure it can support grass fires, tanker operations, and extended rural responses with significantly greater effectiveness.

This HEMTT purchase is preowned directly from the Peninsula Fire Department in Cleveland, Oklahoma.

This purchase will be in place of the Cab & Chassis Replacement for the Grass Rig as previously budgeted for in 2026 for the same purchase amount.

Commission Options:

1. Approve the Resolution.
2. Disapprove of the Resolution.
3. Table the Resolution for further discussion.

Fiscal Impact: Amount: **\$80,000.00**

Fund: **01 - General** Department: **310 - Fire/EMS** Expense Code: **7403 – Motor Vehicles**

Included in budget Grant Bonds Other Not Budgeted

Attachments: Resolution, staff fact sheet & truck image.

Approved for Agenda by:

Randy Frazer, City Manager