

Public Safety Committee

Meeting Date: March 11, 2025

Sole Source Vendor Approval for Aerial Truck 5 Repairs

Department: Fire

Presenter: Antonio Burden, Fire Chief/EMA Director

Caption: Motion to approve a request by the Augusta Fire Department to use Elite

Diesel of Augusta as the sole source vendor to make repairs on Aerial Truck

5 (AT-5).

Background: Aerial Truck 5 (AT-5) is a critical part of the Augusta Fire Department's

fleet, serving as a front-line unit. Due to its age and extensive use, AT-5 has

suffered significant wear and tear, resulting in reduced performance,

decreased efficiency, and reliability concerns. A recent inspection revealed critical damage to many of the engine components, compromising its

functionality and leading to engine failure.

Analysis: To expedite the repair process and ensure timely procurement of high-quality

service and parts, we have chosen Elite Diesel, a local vendor specializing in large truck and engine components, to complete these repairs. Elite Diesel is the only locally authorized vendor who can perform the required work. This investment in AT-5 is essential to maintain the operational readiness of our

fire fleet and ensure the safety of Augusta's citizens.

Financial Impact: \$52,456.69

Alternatives: None at this time

Recommendation: To approve the Motion to approve a request by the Augusta Fire Department

to use Elite Diesel of Augusta as the sole source vendor to make repairs on

Aerial Truck 5 (AT-5).

Funds are available in

Fire Department Vehicle Maintenance account 274035120-5319140

the following accounts: REVIEWED AND

Antonio Burden, Fire Chief/EMA Director

APPROVED BY: