



CRIME CONTROL COMMUNICATION

DATE February 28, 2024

FROM: Kirk Riggs, Chief of Police

AGENDA ITEM: Discuss and consider approval of a Budget Amendment for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 for Vehicle Maintenance in an amount not to exceed \$16,000.

SUMMARY:

The Bartonville Police Department currently operates three patrol vehicles in its fleet. Among them, Unit 996 is a 2018 Chevrolet Tahoe. Recently, this vehicle experienced issues including a check engine light and idling problems, prompting a visit to Christian Brothers Automotive for diagnosis. The inspection revealed metal shards in the oil, which had circulated throughout the engine manifold. With this information, the recommendation was to either replace the entire engine and fuel injectors or scrap the vehicle altogether.

Due the long nationwide wait time for new police vehicles—ranging from 8 to 14 months because of COVID-19 pandemic and labor strikes at factories—combined with the size of the current fleet, the decision was made to opt for engine replacement rather than scrapping the unit. The new engine will reset the engine hours and is covered under a warranty for 100,000 miles.

FISCAL INFORMATION:

Budgeted: NO

Amount: \$15,369.92

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Invoice for engine replacement.
2. Invoice for fuel injector replacement.