



STAFF REPORT
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TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

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SUBJECT: Authorize the Purchase of a Bus and Authorize a Spending Range between \$212,963 and \$500,000

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff is seeking City Council direction on a bus purchase option and a spending range between \$212,963 and \$500,000. The staff report provides five bus (5) options for consideration.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Depending on the bus option selected, the fiscal impact could range between \$212,963.04 and \$500,000 or more, as the fifth bus option quote is not finalized by the vendor.

BACKGROUND:

The City currently has the following passenger vehicles in its fleet:

- 2008 Chevrolet Kodiak 5500 Bus with 114,417 miles. This is a 22+ passenger bus with space for one (1) wheel chair passenger. This bus is propelled by diesel fuel.
- 2016 Ford E450 with 311,916 miles. It is a 12+ passenger bus with space for one (1) wheel chair and it runs on CNG fuel.
- 2016 Ford E450 with 321,742 miles. It is a 12-passenger bus with space for one (1) wheel chair passenger and it runs on CNG fuel.
- 2023 Ford Transit van that seats 10 passengers and it is fueled by gasoline. The mileage on this van is minimal (under 3,000 miles) due to its low use.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:

Bus Option 1 – Clean Natural Gas (22 passenger +2 wheelchairs) \$310,644.38

This bus option is available through National Auto Fleet Group, who is passing along the professionally bid item from Sourcewell's procurement process.

Bus Option 2 – Ultra-Low Emission Diesel (24 passenger + 2 wheelchairs) \$212,963.04

This bus option is available through Bus Sales, who is passing along the professionally bid item from MBTA CalACT Cooperative.

Bus Option 3 – Electric (20 passengers, no ADA features) \$333,000

This bus option is available through Bus Sales, who is passing along the professionally bid item from Sourcewell.

Bus Option 4 – Electric (12 passengers + 2 wheelchairs) \$348,900

This bus option is available through Bus Sales. A written quote is not yet available—the pricing of \$348,900 does not include all of the needed specifications, so the quote is an estimate.

Bus Option 5 – Hydrogen (only available in 40+ passenger size) estimated at \$500,000+

This bus option is available through Bus Sales. A written quote is not yet available—the pricing of \$500,000+ does not include all of the needed specifications, so the quote is an estimate.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Authorize the Purchase of a Bus and Authorize a Spending Range between \$212,963 and \$500,000
2. Not authorize the purchase at this time

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Bus Quote 1
2. Bus Quote 2
3. Bus Quote 3