



CITY COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA SECTION	CONSENT
MEETING DATE	JUNE 22, 2026

ITEM:	Adopt Resolution 2026-041, Amending the Capital Equipment Budget (Fund 431) for the Replacement of Unit 0402 with a 2026 Ford F-350 4x4 XLT with Forestry Upfitting, including Vehicle Disposal.		
Presenting Item: Aaron Chirpich, City Manager			
DEPARTMENT: Public Works		BY/DATE: David Cullen / June 18, 2026	
CORE CITY STRATEGIES: <i>(please indicate areas that apply by adding an "X" in front of the selected text below)</i>			
☐ Community that Grows with Purpose and Equity		☒ Engaged, Effective and Forward-Thinking	
☒ High Quality Public Spaces		☐ Resilient and Prosperous Economy	
☐ Safe, Accessible and Built for Everyone		☐ Inclusive and Connected Community	

BACKGROUND

Unit #402 is a 2007 2x4 Ford F-150 originally purchased for the Engineering Department (Tech IV position) and used for field engineering work. In 2020, Engineering replaced the vehicle, and Unit #0402 was reassigned for use by the City Forester.

SUMMARY OF CURRENT STATUS

Unit #0402 has exceeded its recommended service life and has incurred over \$25,282 in repair and maintenance costs. Replacement parts for the engine are increasingly difficult to obtain, requiring staff to source components from salvage yards or perform temporary repairs. This has reduced reliability and increased downtime for the Forestry Department. Forestry staff have identified a replacement vehicle and specified a 2026 Ford 4x4 F-350 through the State of Minnesota cooperative purchasing contract.

In addition to the requested authorization to purchase the replacement 4x4 truck, staff is requesting a budget amendment to the Capital Equipment Fund (Fund 431). The City Council approved the 2026 Capital Equipment Fund budget, which allocated \$525,000 for the replacement of a Toro Groundsmaster mower, a Western Star dump truck, and a Ford F-350 pickup truck. Since the adoption of the budget, equipment costs have increased due to tariffs, inflationary pressures, and market conditions. As a result, the total cost of the approved equipment purchases has increased to \$587,906.59, exceeding the adopted budget by \$62,906.59.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council approve a budget amendment to Fund 431 in the amount of \$62,906.59, increasing the authorized expenditure from \$525,000 to \$587,906.59 for the replacement of Unit #0402 and disposal of the vehicle through trade-in or public auction, whichever provides the best value to the taxpayer. Additionally, staff recommends the approval of the purchase of a 2026 Ford F-350 4x4 XLT from Midway Ford in the amount of \$61,631.62, along with required forestry upfitting from Surefitters in the amount of \$12,178.47.

RECOMMENDED MOTION(S):

MOTION: Move to waive the reading of Resolution 2026-041, there being ample copies available to the public.

MOTION: Move to adopt Resolution 2026-041, Amending the Capital Equipment Budget (Fund 431) for the Replacement of Unit 0402 with a 2026 Ford F-350 4x4 XLT with Forestry Upfitting, including Vehicle Disposal.

ATTACHMENT(S)

Resolution 2026-041

State Contract Ford

Midway Ford Estimate

State Contract Surefitters Equipment

Quote for Surefitters Equipment