



**City of Grass Valley  
City Council  
Agenda Action Sheet**

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**Title:** Purchase of Emergency Backup Generator for Fire Station 1

**CEQA:** Not a Project

**Recommendation:** That Council 1) that the City Council authorize the purchase and installation of a replacement emergency generator for Fire Station 1 in an amount not to exceed \$75,000, utilizing Fire Development Impact Fee funds, 2) authorize the Fire Chief to complete the purchase through the Sourcewell cooperative purchasing program, and 3) authorize the Finance Director to make any necessary budget transfers and/or amendments to complete the purchase and installation of the equipment.

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**Prepared by:** Mark Buttron- Fire Chief

**Council Meeting Date:** 03/04/2026

**Date Prepared:** 03/10/2026

**Agenda:** Consent

**Background Information:** Fire Station 1 serves as one of the City of Grass Valley Fire Department's primary operational facility and houses front-line emergency response apparatus and personnel. The station relies on a backup generator to maintain operations during power outages. The current generator has been in service for over 30 years and is experiencing reliability issues. Due to its age and declining performance, replacement is necessary to ensure the station remains operational during power disruptions.

Fire stations are critical public safety infrastructure and must remain operational during power outages, including those related to storms or wildfire-related Public Safety Power Shutoffs. The replacement generator will provide sufficient capacity to support modern electrical demands within the station and ensure critical systems remain operational, including communications equipment, station alerting systems, lighting, and apparatus bay doors.

The generator will be purchased through the Sourcewell cooperative purchasing program, allowing the City to utilize competitively bid national contracts while reducing procurement time.

**Council Goals/Objectives:** : Exceptional Public Safety consistent with the City of Grass Valley Strategic Plan

**Fiscal Impact:** The cost of the generator purchase and installation is estimated not to exceed \$75,000 and will be funded through Fire Development Impact Fees. There is no impact to the General Fund or Measure E funding.

**Funds Available:** Yes

**Account #:** Fire Development Impact Fees

**Reviewed by:** City Manager

**Attachments:** None