

# VILLAGE OF HOMEWOOD



**BOARD AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

**DATE OF MEETING: December 10, 2024**

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**To:** Village President and Board of Trustees

**Through:** Napoleon Haney, Village Manager

**From:** Joshua Burman, Director of Public Works

**Topic:** Motor Fuel Tax Funds Supplemental Resolution – Rock Salt

## **PURPOSE**

Motor Fuel Tax revenue is primarily used to support transportation infrastructure and is a key funding source for building and maintaining roads and highways. Staff is requesting the Village Board appropriate \$100,000 of Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) funds for the purpose of maintaining streets and highways under the applicable provisions of the Illinois Highway Code for the purchase of rock salt for the 2024-25 winter season.

## **PROCESS**

In Illinois, the Motor Fuel Tax is a charge for the use of public roads by motor vehicles and waterways by recreational boats. Distributors and suppliers pay this tax and pass it on to their customers. The MFT amounts transferred to the State's Local Government Fund are distributed to individual municipalities and can be used for the construction and maintenance of roads and other transportation-related expenses such as the purchase of road salt. Homewood's motor fuel allocations from the State are deposited in a separate Village fund called the Motor Fuel Tax Allotment Fund. Expenditures from the fund must be approved by resolution.

A common example of a qualifying expenditure for the use of MFT funds is the purchase of rock salt, which is used for the winter maintenance of roadways. This year, the Village will purchase approximately 1,200 tons of rock salt through the Illinois Joint Purchasing Program for the 2024-25 winter season. The Village is required to take 80% (960 tons) of the 1,200, and has the opportunity to take 120% (1440 tons) if winter supplies become low.

## **OUTCOME**

Attached for Village Board consideration is an Illinois Department of Transportation resolution appropriating \$100,000 of MFT funds to cover the cost of rock salt for the 2024-25 season.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

- **Funding Source:** Motor Fuel Tax
- **Budgeted Amount:** \$100,000
- **Cost:** \$100,000

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## **LEGAL REVIEW**

Not Required

## **RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION**

Pass a resolution appropriating \$100,000 of Motor Fuel Tax funds for the purpose of maintaining streets and highways under the applicable provisions of the Illinois Highway Code for the purchase of rock salt.

## **ATTACHMENT(S)**

Resolution