

**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:**       **October 18, 2022**

**TO:**         **Melissa R. Marsh, City Manager**

**FROM:**      **Sean P. Ballantine, Public Works Supervisor**  
                  **Dan Yamarino, Motor Pool Supervisor**  
                  **R. Corey Almas, Director of Public Services**

**SUBJECT:   Purchase – Vehicle 484 Replacement**

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The FY 2022-23 Budget calls for the scheduled replacement of Vehicle 484, a 2009 Chevy Colorado, funded through the Parks division.

Due to the lack of availability of a small pickup truck from any of the Big Three automakers, as well as the overall lack of versatility and functionality when compared to a full-size truck, the Budget request was for replacement with a full-size pickup truck, rotating the current 484 into reserve status for continued use dragging ballfields and snowplowing small routes, until such time as it is no longer economically feasible to operate. The vehicle is currently 13 years old, and has a condition score of 25, qualifying it for scheduled replacement.

It is further worth noting that between the chip and general supply chain shortage, it has been increasingly difficult to source replacement vehicles. Our regular GM dealership through the Oakland County cooperative purchasing bid has been able to confirm an order for a pickup truck built to our standard work/plow truck specifications.

Staff therefore recommends that Council approve the purchase of one 2022 Chevy Silverado from Todd Wenzel Chevrolet, of Hudsonville, Michigan, in the amount of \$33,251.00. Funds are budgeted and available.

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