City of Sedgwick City Council Meeting February 19, 2025

TO: Mayor and City Council

SUBJECT: Purchase of 2024 Dodge Ram 1500 for EMS First Response

INITIATED BY: Administration

AGENDA: New Business

Recommendation: Approve the purchase of a 2024 Dodge Ram 1500 SSV Crew Cab 4WD, outfitted for EMS first response, from Superior Emergency Response Vehicles.

Background: The Sedgwick EMS first response vehicle for command staff is a critical component of emergency services, enabling rapid response and effective coordination in medical emergencies. The current command staff vehicle, a 2012 Ford Explorer, was a repurposed police and maintenance vehicle within our fleet and has reached 144,000 miles, exceeding its service life. The vehicle had been pulled from service by the former administrator/police chief in 2021 and given to the Fire Department for their first out vehicle. In 2023, we received a donation from the Wichita Fire Department of an F250 to replace the first out vehicle due to mechanical issues and age of the vehicle.

To ensure continued efficiency in emergency response operations, staff solicited a quote for a replacement vehicle. The proposed 2024 Dodge Ram 1500 SSV Crew Cab 4WD offers an upgraded platform with enhanced durability, improved safety features, and a greater capability for first-response outfitting. Staff obtained quotations for two other types of vehicles, a 2025 Chevy Tahoe and a 2025 Ford Intercept, both of which were higher in price than the 2024 Dodge Ram. The command vehicle is utilized by the Sedgwick Fire-EMS Director as a primary response vehicle to aid on all calls within the response district as well as to travel to trainings, meetings, obtain supplies and area conferences. During a crisis event, it is utilized as a base command for directing operations.

Superior Emergency Response Vehicles is one of the areas only upfitters for emergency response vehicles. They provided a quote for a fully outfitted first response unit, including emergency lighting, sirens, a control center, radio mounting and custom EMS graphics for a total of \$55,897.17. If approved, the unit could be in service within 60 business days.

<u>Financial Considerations:</u> In 2024, the Explorer was sent to the shop for repairs four times for maintenance and repairs totaling \$2,163.88. The blue book value of the vehicle in its current condition is between \$3 – 4,500. The current auction price received for the vehicle in its current condition is between \$3,400 and \$4,200. With the age of the vehicle, and ongoing maintenance costs the vehicle is at the end of its useful life within the department.

City staff researched the option of purchasing a used vehicle through an auction service and found that the current market is seeing the retirement of emergency response vehicle years from 2019 – 2021 with an average mileage of 95,000 miles for a purchase price between \$17,000 and \$25,000.

While appearing advantageous, these vehicles are of equal mileage to the current asset and provide their own issues of maintenance for a high purchase price.

If approved, the estimated increase in insurance premium would be approximately \$180. The purchase will be funded through the EMS Capital equipment fund.

Attachments: Quotation.

Recommendations/Actions: It is recommended that the Governing Body approve the quotation from SERV for a not to exceed amount of \$56,000.

Superior Emergency Response Vehicles

12548 SW Highway 54 P.O. Box 965 Andover, KS. 67002

Estimate

Date	Estimate #		
1/25/2025	4187		

Customer Name

City of Sedgwick 520 N. Commercial P.O. Box 131 Sedgwick, KS 67135

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By signing this estimate, Customer authorizes SERV to provide products and services as listed. Customer also agrees to our Standard Terms and Conditions as set forth on our "Terms and Conditions" page.

Thank you for considering SERV!