ITEM: New Business – Purchase Request: Fire Department Fleet Vehicle

BACKGROUND: The Fire Department is requesting permission to purchase a fleet vehicle – 2026 Ford F350 4X4 Crew Cab Pickup. The requested fleet vehicle will replace the current 1999 Chevy Crew Cab. The state-bid price for the fleet vehicle including off road package and outfitting is \$98,713.22. This purchase is not within the 2025 budget and would need to be funded through the Capital Equipment Fund. The Capital Equipment Fund balance is projected to be approximately \$240,000 as of the end of the year.

Truck 7 has been placed on "out of commission" due to serious safety operating concerns. This truck has been evaluated by the Fire Department and has been determined that the vehicle is no longer safe for use in fire response or departmental operations. The key issues are significant mechanical failures, structural integrity, and safety hazards that cannot be addressed with reasonable repair costs.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approve/Deny Purchase Request.