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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor & Council
From: Tim Vanatta, *Fleet Supervisor*
Subject: Purchase of a Bucket Truck Replacement for Tree Maintenance Activities
Date: July 28, 2026

Attached for Council's approval are a resolution and contract to purchase a replacement 75-foot bucket / aerial truck. Public Works' Urban Forestry staff use this truck daily to maintain and remove trees throughout the municipality. The new truck will replace the one of 2018 units.

Year	Body Type	Current Meter	Current Meter Unit	Purchase Price (USD)	Purchase Date	Estimated Service Life in Months	Service Costs (Lifetime) (USD)
2018	BUCKET TRUCK	6018	hr	168000	7/1/2018	120	54678.72
2018	BUCKET TRUCK	10003	mi	98451	7/1/2018	120	4444.29

These units have a 10-year life under OSHA dielectric-testing safety standards; after 10 years, the aerial lift and bucket are not be certified for electrocution hazards. Council authorized \$450,000 for this replacement in the 2026 capital ordinance. Through a Sourcewell-approved vendor, the replacement unit will cost \$448,378.38. Current production time is estimated at 12 to 14 months. We anticipate that the other 2018 unit (35-foot bucket / aerial truck not subject to the certification) will be due for replacement in one to two years; it is used less frequently due to its size.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions regarding this requested purchase.