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Alderman Brey,

The MFRD would like to address the finance committee prior to the council meeting on May 20th. We would appreciate the opportunity to adjust/reallocate our spending in regards to Capital equipment purchases.

In 2020 we entered into an agreement with Seagrave. Unfortunately, that contract was terminated November 21, 2022 by both parties. Finance granted approval to enter into an agreement with Pierce for a Fire Engine and Tower Ladder.

The original plan in 2020 (Seagrave) was for two engines but we were informed by Pierce that lead time for a Tower Ladder was greater than fire engine with an estimated build date of 2027 or 2028.

We finally received notice from Pierce that we can sit and begin specs on our fire engine. During this waiting period with Pierce we reached out to another vendor E-One. They have the ability to provide a engine in 2025 and a completed Tower in 2027.

At this time Pierce has not even provided a date for completion of Tower Ladder. Our fleet is in need of replacement and an opportunity exists to address our needs over the next three years. Finance has been assisting with some options.

Our first challenge is to present the change in our plan and request the reallocation of funds to address the needs.

If provided the opportunity to present at a special meeting we will document clearly the need and means to address the situation. Thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

Regards, Todd

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