



## Report to Council

**To:** Mayor and Council File No: 1280-02  
**Date:** July 14, 2025  
**From:** Belinda Bowden, Manager, Fleet Service  
**Subject:** 2026 Fleet Vehicle and Equipment Replacements - Early Budget Approval

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**Purpose:** To request early budget approval for our 2026 vehicle and equipment replacements.

**Recommendation:**

THAT Council authorize early budget approval for the replacement of fleet units 015, 017, 036 and 534 at a cost not to exceed \$620,000, to be funded from Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Reserve.

**Background:**

a. Rationale:

1. The following units are scheduled for replacement in 2026 in alignment with the Fleet Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Strategy:

- Unit 015 – Bobcat - \$90,000
- Unit 017 – Loader - \$370,000
- Unit 036 – Chev 1500 - \$90,000
- Unit 534 – SUV - \$70,000

**Total estimated cost = \$620,000**

2. Administration continues to actively monitor market pricing, vehicle and equipment condition, and asset age, extending life cycles where practical and cost effective.
3. Ongoing market volatility and the potential for supply chain disruptions may result in cost increases in 2026.
4. As a proactive measure, Administration recommends that Council consider early budget approval to proceed with the scheduled 2026 vehicle and equipment replacements.

5. All identified units have reached the end of their expected service lives, in accordance with the Fleet and Equipment Replacement Strategy.

b. Relevant Policy/Bylaw/Resolutions/Legislative Authority:  
N/A

c. Council's Strategic Plan Alignment:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Governance & Organizational Excellence | <input type="checkbox"/> Livability     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation, Parks & Natural Areas                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Vibrancy       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Leadership                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable |

d. Committee Recommendations:  
N/A

**Financial Implications:**

The total cost of \$620,000 required for the equipment replacement would be funded from the Vehicles and Equipment Reserve consistent with the Fleet Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Strategy. The Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Reserve has a projected year end balance of \$1,762,498 for 2025.

**Alternatives & Implications:**

If Council decides not to provide early budget approval, market uncertainty could result in increased vehicle and equipment replacement costs in 2026.

**Communication:**

N/A

**Attachments:**

N/A

Reviewed by: James Rice, Director, Operations Services  
Reviewed by: Elma Hamming, Director, Financial Services  
Reviewed by: Kevin Poole, Director, Corporate Administration  
Approved by: Peter Weeber, Chief Administrative Officer