

Introduced By: Mayor Matherly  
and Council Members Kun, Rogers, and Marney  
Finance Committee Review: November 3, 2020  
Introduced: November 9, 2020

**RESOLUTION NO. 4941**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SALE OF THE 1995 PLATFORM  
AERIAL LADDER TRUCK TO THE WEST LAKES FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the City recently purchased a new platform aerial ladder truck; and

**WHEREAS**, the prior platform aerial ladder truck was a 1995 model and had been in use by the Fairbanks Fire Department for 25 years; and

**WHEREAS**, the West Lakes Fire Department (WLFD), a small organization outside of Wasilla, has a pressing need to replace their ladder truck; and

**WHEREAS**, WLFD believes that the City's 1995 vehicle would meet its needs, but it has limited funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the value of a used platform aerial truck varies widely based on use, care, maintenance, and location; and

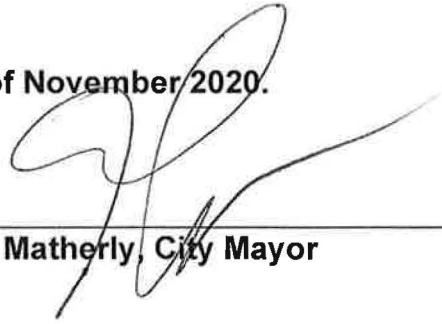
**WHEREAS**, the Public Works shop foreman estimated the value of the 1995 vehicle at around \$75,000, but it is not possible to know if that amount could be realized under normal surplus conditions, especially since the vehicle would have to sit outside in the elements for a period of time before it would be sold at auction; and

**WHEREAS**, WLFD has offered to purchase the vehicle for \$17,000; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the opinion of the Fire Chief and the Assistant Fire Chief that aiding another fire service that has a critical need is worthy of consideration and would be a better use of the vehicle than having it sit outside for at least one winter waiting to possibly be sold.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Fairbanks, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute any documents necessary to transfer the City's 1995 platform aerial truck to the West Lakes Fire Department for the purchase price of \$17,000.

**PASSED and APPROVED this 9th Day of November 2020.**



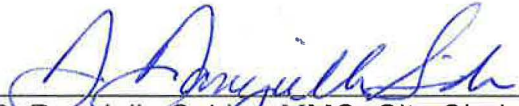
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**Jim Matherly, City Mayor**

AYES: PASSED and APPROVED on the CONSENT AGENDA  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
APPROVED: November 9, 2020

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



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D. Danyielle Snider, MMC, City Clerk



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Paul J. Ewers, City Attorney

**CITY OF FAIRBANKS  
FISCAL NOTE**

**I. REQUEST:**

Ordinance or Resolution No: 4941

Abbreviated Title: 1995 PLATFORM AERIAL LADDER TRUCK SALE

Department(s): FIRE

Does the adoption of this ordinance or resolution authorize:

1) additional costs beyond the current adopted budget? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X

2) additional support or maintenance costs? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X

If yes, what is the estimate? see below

3) additional positions beyond the current adopted budget? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X

If yes, how many positions? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, type of positions? \_\_\_\_\_ (F - Full Time, P - Part Time, T - Temporary)

**II. FINANCIAL DETAIL:**

EXPENDITURES:	2020	2021	2022	Total
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

FUNDING SOURCE:	2020	2021	2022	Total
WEST LAKES FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$17,000	\$0	\$0	\$17,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$17,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$17,000</b>

The City of Fairbanks will sell a fully-depreciated 1995 Platform Aerial Ladder Truck [odometer 59,913] in the amount of \$17,000.

Reviewed by Finance Department:

Initial mb

Date 10/26/2020



## West Lakes Fire Department

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27 October 2020

Jim Matherly

Mayor

City of Fairbanks

800 Cushman St.

Fairbanks, Alaska 99701

Dear Mayor Matherly,

Thank you for the opportunity for West Lakes Fire to make an offer and possibly purchase Fairbanks Fire's retiring KME 102' aerial. Thank you for considering another community's needs in the great State of Alaska when you have retiring apparatus.

West Lakes Fire Department serves the communities of Big Lake and Meadow Lakes. We are a paid-on-call department with 51 responders and five stations serving a population of 22,305 over 93 miles<sup>2</sup>. The communities we serve are diverse, in need and resources. We have four elementary schools, commercial and industrial businesses as well as many three story residences.

Our apparatus fleet is aging and our aerial is currently out of service. The repairs exceed reasonable expenditures for an apparatus that is 37 years old. The Big Lake and Meadow Lakes communities continue to grow with both residential and commercial emergency needs and expectations. This purchase would enhance our operational goals and help us meet the emergency needs in our community. Our community and department are very appreciative of the opportunity to offer all we can from our operating budget.

Again, thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Respectfully,

Tawnya Hightower

Fire Chief, West Lakes Fire Dept.

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