

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

**CITY COUNCIL  
FEBRUARY 22, 2005**

To: Mayor and City Council

From: George J. Rodericks, City Manager

**SUBJECT: DECLARATION OF SURPLUS –  
1989 Elgin Pelican Premier 3-Wheel Broom Sweeper**

### **BACKGROUND**

In 2002, the City began contracting with an outside vendor, R.F. Dickson, for street sweeping services. Outsourcing provided the City with the means to comply with State-mandated street sweeping requirements in a cost effective and efficient manner. With the City's 1989 Pelican sweeper and a non-certified driver, the City was unable to comply with the new Federal Clean Water Act, Air Quality Management District, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination Systems, and Urban Runoff regulations.

Street sweeping had become a complicated, regulated, scrutinized, and mandated effort. Local street sweeping programs are required to abide by a multitude of rules governing everything from the type of sweeper operated and the method of collection, to performance measures on litter collection, dust particles, and fine particulate matter. In addition to abiding by these rules, the City would have been required to provide performance reports and be subject to penalties for non-compliance.

The City retained possession of the 1989 Pelican Sweeper in the event of emergency call-out or other sweeper need for which the contract service could not be contacted.

### **FINDINGS**

During the past 3 years, the City has not had the need to use the 1989 Pelican Sweeper and it continues to be costly to maintain the unit. To bring the unit to full function, replacement of the gas tank and lift brush mechanisms is required.

Staff has researched the alternative of declaration of the vehicle as surplus and donating the vehicle to a Sister City of a neighboring agency. However, after evaluating this alternative staff found that the entities in question require that the City pay for shipping or delivery of the vehicle to their location and that the vehicle be minimally functional. In its current condition, the sweeper is not minimally functional.

The 1989 Pelican Sweeper has reached its useful life and been fully depreciated. Staff recommends that the sweeper be declared as surplus and salvaged for parts through the manufacturer and/or distributor.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

None. Since the unit is no longer compliant with Federal mandates, the parts salvage value will equate to the estimated cost for towing and removal of the vehicle to its ultimate disposal location.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Declare the 1989 Elgin Pelican Street Sweeper, VIN#**P0521D** as surplus and direct the City Manager to arrange for its disposal; and
- 2) Authorize the City Manager to investigate the negotiated transfer of the vehicle to a private entity finding that it is in the public interest to do so.