


**SUBJECT:** APPROVING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$675,000 FROM THE CENTRAL MAT-SU FIRE SERVICE AREA FUND BALANCE AND APPROVING THE SCOPE OF WORK AND BUDGET FOR A PROJECT TO REPAIR PUMPER-TENDER 62 FOR THE CENTRAL MAT-SU FIRE SERVICE AREA.

**AGENDA OF: January 16, 2024**

**ASSEMBLY ACTION: Adopted without objection 02/06/24 - BJH**

**AGENDA ACTION REQUESTED:** Introduce and set for public hearing.

Route To	Signatures
Originator	<div style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">1 2 / 2 8 / 2 0 2 3</div> X      C a s e y L a u g h l i n <hr/> <small>Signed by: Casey Laughlin</small>  Recoverable Signature
Department Director	X      K e n B a r k l e y <hr/> <small>Signed by: Ken Barkley</small>  Recoverable Signature
Finance Director	<div style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">1 2 / 2 8 / 2 0 2 3</div> X      C h e y e n n e H e i n d e l <hr/> <small>Signed by: Cheyenne Heindel</small>  Recoverable Signature
Borough Attorney	<div style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">1 2 / 2 8 / 2 0 2 3</div> X      N i c h o l a s S p i r o p o u l o s <hr/> <small>Signed by: Nicholas Spiropoulos</small>  Recoverable Signature
Borough Manager	X      M i c h a e l B r o w n <hr/> <small>Signed by: Michael Brown</small>  Recoverable Signature
Borough Clerk	X      L o n n i e M c K e c h n i e <hr/> <small>Signed by: Lonnie McKechnie</small>  Recoverable Signature

**ATTACHMENT (S):** Ordinance Serial No. 24-018 (2 pp)  
Resolution Serial No. 24-018 (2 pp)

**SUMMARY STATEMENT:**

Central Mat-Su Fire Department Pumper-Tender 62 is a 2021 Pierce velocity fire truck assigned to Fire station 62 on Knik-Goose Bay Drive. On November 2nd of this year during an active ice storm it was responding to a motor vehicle accident with a 4-person crew. There were active weather advisories for frozen rain and icing conditions, which were prevalent across the area that evening causing numerous incidents.

The crew was responding at a reduced speed due to road conditions for a confirmed vehicle accident with a citizen entrapped. Upon approaching a downhill curve to the accident, another arriving emergency vehicle just behind PT-62 left the roadway and traversed through the ditch and onto a bicycle path due to the treacherous conditions. PT-62, approaching the scene from uphill at less than 10 mph began to slide sideways on the icy roadway and towards the accident they were responding to. The driver-operator guided the truck around the corner and beyond the original accident to avoid colliding with the vehicle causing further injury and damage.

In an attempt to stop and regain control, the operator guided the front wheels towards the ditch and off the edge of the road with the hope of grabbing traction to allow the apparatus to stop safely. When the front wheels did grab traction it, along with the slope of the road, it caused the back end of the apparatus to slowly come around in a slow spin. Once the apparatus completed sliding around the side of the vehicle grabbed traction on the shoulder of the roadway causing the truck to suffer a slow roll-over onto its side partially off the roadway.

Due to the modern construction and safety systems, including airbags, built into the newer apparatus the crew was uninjured. One of the crew members self-extricated from the truck, was able to access some tools and tended to the patient from the original incident assisting EMS. The remainder of the crew tended to shut down the apparatus as to prevent additional collateral damage and then securing the scene.

The apparatus was inspected for free by the manufacturer at our Fleet maintenance facility. As estimate for the repairs of just under \$650,000 was provided by Pierce, the original manufacturer.

The cost of a new replacement apparatus of matching design and capabilities is currently \$1,500,000.00

The existing apparatus can be shipped to the manufacturer's facility, repaired and returned in under 5 months.

The time frame for delivery of a new replacement apparatus, from time of order, is currently predicted at 24-36 months and costs are expected to increase after the new year.

The Central Mat-Su FSA currently has sufficient funds available in their reserve fund to cover the cost of repairs. This is economically the best option for the service area.

As of 1996, the Borough Property and Casualty Program consists of a combination of self-insurance and commercial insurance programs.

Regarding risk of accidental losses or claims, it is the policy of the Borough and Borough School District to self-insure to an appropriate level, all losses and claims which occur with predictable frequency; and which will not have a significant adverse impact on the borough's financial position. The Borough evaluates how much risk to retain based on prior loss history and current insurance market and risk trends.

As the Borough's automobile loss history is low and comprehensive and collision premiums have always exceeded the cost of predictable damages, the Borough has consistently chosen to retain the risk associated with our first party auto damage claims.

Since the damages were isolated to this firetruck and there were no damages to any third party, there is no commercial coverage triggered and the expense is retained by the department.

Central Mat-Su Fire Service Area is requesting \$675,000 from their reserve fund balance to complete this project.

**RECOMMENDATION OF ADMINISTRATION:**

The administration recommends approval of the attached legislation, which will approve an appropriation of \$675,000 from the Central Mat-Su Fire Service Area Fund Balance, Fund 250, and approve the scope of work and budget for project No. 45066, Fund 405, to repair Pumper-Tender 62 for the Central Mat-Su Fire Service Area.

**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH**

**FISCAL NOTE**

Agenda Date: October 17, 2023

SUBJECT: Approving an appropriation of \$675,000 from the Central Mat-Su Fire Service Area fund balance, and approving the scope of work and budget for a project to repair Pumper-Tender 62 for the Central Mat-Su Fire Service Area.

FISCAL ACTION (TO BE COMPLETED BY FINANCE)	FISCAL IMPACT <b>YES</b> NO
AMOUNT REQUESTED \$675,000	FUNDING SOURCE Central Mat-su FSA #130 Fund Balance
FROM ACCOUNT # 250.000.000 4xx.xxx	PROJECT
TO ACCOUNT : 405.000.000 3xx.xxx	PROJECT # 45066
VERIFIED BY: _____ _____ X <u>Liesel Weiland</u> _____ Signed by: Liesel Weiland 12/28/2023	CERTIFIED BY:
DATE: 12/28/2023	DATE:

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES:

(Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029
Personnel Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment	675.0					
Land/Structures						
Grants, Claims						
Miscellaneous						
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>675.0</b>					

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING:

(Thousands of Dollars)

General Fund						
State/Federal Funds						
Other	675.0					
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>675.0</b>					

POSITIONS:

Full-Time						
Part-Time						
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

PREPARED BY: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

DEPARTMENT: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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