

Legislation Text

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The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving the purchase of a 107' Pierce Ascendant Quint Fire Apparatus with funding from a lease purchase agreement with PNC finance (Pierce Financing Group) for a 3 year term. Payment funds (\$431,201.24 annually) will come from Fire DDIF monies in the city budget. To facilitate the first payment from fiscal year 2020 budget, a budget transfer will be necessary to move budget capacity from HURF (20055151-54432) of \$261,202 and General CIP (35022528-67742-32004) of \$170,000.00 to Fire DIF Fund (34422528-67742-32004). **Discussion and Action**

The Maricopa Fire & Medical Department has conducted extensive research into replacing E574, which is the oldest front line apparatus on the department. After thoroughly reviewing all of the data, speaking with other valley departments, seeking the best strategic operational alternative when considering how to best replace E574, the apparatus committee unanimously identifed a 107' Pierce Ascendant Quint as the best operational and strategic replacement the department and city can purchase.

The determination by the committee involved considering the long term strategic plans for both the city and the department. This vehicle is a very versatile replacement for the current engine. Its versatility will be an asset for possibly increasing our ISO rating to a "1", be the best operational option for the new incoming hotel, assisted living residency, and the multi-sotry commerical/residential building all slated for the Copper Sky area. The ability of this apparatus to operate as an engine/pumper and aerial ladder illustates the operational and functional versatility, and also encompasses great strategic planning for both our current and future service provision. With the city growing by leaps and bounds, possessing a vehicle with this versatility will help address current and future growth impacts and city expansion.

Staff is seeking to utilize the City of Mesa's Fire Apparatus Master Purchase Agreement, Contract No. 2014173 to complete this purchase.

The Fire and Medical Department Apparatus Committee and Senior Staff resoundly recommend purchasing this vehicle. Mayor and City Council approve the purchase of a 107' Pierce Ascendant Quint Fire Apparatus with funding from a lease purchase agreement with PNC finance (Pierce Financing Group) for a 3 year term. In addition, approve a budget transfer to move budget capacity from HURF (20055151-54432) of \$261,202 and General CIP (35022528-67742-32004) of \$170,000.00 to Fire DIF Fund (34422528-67742-32004).