

Watertown City CouncilJanuary 27th, 2026**Agenda Item: CI006-2, CI007-2 2 - Chevrolet 2500 Replacement****Request for Action: Solicitation of Quotes****Employee/Dept.: Mike Loehrs, Public Services****Background:**

In 2026 the City identified and budgeted for two new Chevrolet pickups with snowplows to replace our current 2015 Chevrolet 2500 pickups with plows to be acquired for fleet use in 2026 as Capital Project #CI006-2, CI007-2 in the Capital Investment Fund at an estimated total cost of \$140,000.00.

The three pickups the city operates with are as follows:

2002 Chevrolet Regular Cab 1500 (PS101)

Vehicle is used as a daily driver and park maintenance

2015 Chevrolet Double Cab 2500 (PS104)

Vehicle is mainly used as a daily driver and plow truck for trails and cul-de-sacs in the wintertime

2015 Chevrolet Double Cab 2500 (PS105)

Vehicle is primarily used to pull the mower trailer all summer and plow cul-de-sacs in the wintertime

Staff believes that it is in the best interest of the city to retain the one 2015 Chevrolet 2500(PS105) due to its lower score on the replacement survey and the determined need for an additional vehicle in the summer months. The reason this pickup was decided to be the one kept is because of the overall condition it is in and currently has almost half as many miles on it. The primary function of this pickup would be to serve as a backup plow truck and would allow for the pickup to be the designated truck to have the seasonals pull the mower trailer around throughout the mowing seasons.

Staff would like to sell the 2002 Chevrolet 1500(PS101) and replace it with a 1-ton crew cab gas pickup with a Boss V-Plow installed on it. The reason a 1-ton is needed is because of the plow that is installed on it and having the capability of pulling an equipment trailer around with any of our equipment on it.

After evaluating our fleet and discussing overall fleet strategy with the Public Services team it is recommended that we replace the current 2015 Chevrolet 2500(PS 104) with a 1-ton gas engine cab chassis pickup with a service body installed on it. Currently Public Services does not have a pickup with a service body and tools installed on it that is designated to make repairs on park equipment, facilities, and/or equipment in the field. Most of our day-to-day repairs must be done onsite at different locations throughout the town so having a truck with the tools needed will make us much more efficient with our time.

Budget Impact:

Staff has budgeted \$70,000 for each vehicle, for a total amount of \$140,000.00.

Funding Source:

Capital Improvement Fund

Recommendation:

Staff recommends the solicitation of quotes.

Motion Type:

Simple majority vote of members present.

Requested Action/Motion:

"I move to approve the solicitation of quotes for the two one-ton vehicles to replace units PS101 and PS104"

Attachments:

2002 Chevrolet 1500 (PS 101) Replacement Survey

2015 Chevrolet 2500 (PS 104) Replacement Survey

2015 Chevrolet 2500 (PS 105) Replacement Survey

Sample Picture of New One-Ton Crew Cab

Sample Picture of New One-Ton Service Truck

VEHICLE AND EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT POLICY

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THRESHOLD VALUES FOR EVALUATION

Criterion	Light Duty	Med/Heavy Duty	Off Road
Vehicle Age	10	15-20	10
Mileage/Hours	80,000	60,000	6,000

2002 Chevrolet 1500 (PS101)

REPLACEMENT FACTORS

Factor	Points
Age 24 24	One point for each year of chronological age
Miles/Hours 147,886 14	One point for each 10,000 miles of use/600 hours of service
Type of Service 1	1, 3, or 5 points are assigned based on the type of service that vehicle performs. For instance, a heavy truck with plow would be given a 5 because it performs heavy duty service. In contrast, a light duty truck with no plow would be given a 1.
Reliability 1	Points are assigned as 1, 3, or 5 depending on the frequency that the vehicle is out of service for repair. A 5 would be assigned to a vehicle that is out of service two or more times per month on average, while a 1 would be assigned for a vehicle out of service once every three months or less.
Maintenance & Repair Costs (M&R) 1	1 to 5 points are assigned based on total life M&R costs (not including repair of accident damage). A 5 is assigned to a vehicle with life M&R costs equal to or greater than the vehicle's original purchase price while a 1 is given to a vehicle with life M&R costs equal to 20% or less of its original purchase price.
Condition 5	This takes into consideration body condition, rust, interior condition, accident history, anticipated repairs, etc. A scale of 1 to 5 is used, with 5 being poor condition.
Total: 46	

Point Determinations and Evaluation Actions

Under 11 Points	Condition I	Excellent
12 to 15 Points	Condition II	Good
16 to 20 Points	Condition III	Qualifies for replacement
21 points and above	Condition IV	Needs immediate consideration



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Mileage/Hours	80,000	60,000	6,000

2015 Chevrolet 2500 (PS104)

REPLACEMENT FACTORS

Factor	Points
Age 11 11	One point for each year of chronological age
Miles/Hours 72,334/3619.9 7	One point for each 10,000 miles of use/600 hours of service
Type of Service 3	1, 3, or 5 points are assigned based on the type of service that vehicle performs. For instance, a heavy truck with plow would be given a 5 because it performs heavy duty service. In contrast, a light duty truck with no plow would be given a 1.
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Condition 2	This takes into consideration body condition, rust, interior condition, accident history, anticipated repairs, etc. A scale of 1 to 5 is used, with 5 being poor condition.
Total: 27	

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Miles/Hours 49,024/3,131.3 5	One point for each 10,000 miles of use/600 hours of service
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Condition 2	This takes into consideration body condition, rust, interior condition, accident history, anticipated repairs, etc. A scale of 1 to 5 is used, with 5 being poor condition.
Total: 23	

Point Determinations and Evaluation Actions

Under 11 Points	Condition I	Excellent
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21 points and above	Condition IV	Needs immediate consideration







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