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Westland Department of Public Service to See Major Equipment Updates



Westland, MI (August 9, 2021) - On Monday, August 2 the Westland City Council approved a slate of Capital Outlay purchases for upgrades to DPS equipment. Approved purchases include:

- Purchase and installation of a ten foot dump box, under body scraper and front plow from Versalift Midwest in the amount of not to exceed \$85,418. The expenditure amount includes the trade-in of older pickups and a 2005 dump truck within the city's fleet.
- Purchase of a brush chipper from Vemeer in the amount of not to exceed \$87,352. This equipment is used to remove and trim tree limbs.
- Purchase of a truck mounted combination sewer cleaner from Fredrickson Supply in the amount of not to exceed \$367,644.49. The expenditure amount includes a trade in credit of \$75,000 and will replace the city's 2010 Vactor unit. This new truck will be used for multipurpose

utility repairs, catch basin cleaning and storm/sanitary sewer cleaning.

- Purchase of three 2022 F-250 trucks from North Brothers Ford in the amount of not to exceed \$86,220. These trucks will be replacement vehicles for aging trucks within the DPS fleet to be used on city infrastructure operation and maintenance.
- Purchase of a log grapppler attachment from Michigan CAT for tree removal in the amount of not to exceed \$7,240.
- Purchase of and installation of three plows from Versalift Midwest in the amount of not to exceed \$18,687.
- Purchase of a single axle truck chassis from Wolverine Freight Liner in the amount of not to exceed \$90,546. This new truck will replace an aging truck within the city's fleet which is currently showing signs of fatigue. The truck will be used as a multipurpose vehicle for utility repairs, restorations and during snow and ice events.

"These necessary updates to the city's DPS equipment will ensure the safety of our employees and ensure our continued ability to maintain and improve our community's infrastructure," commented Mayor William R. Wild. "We identified these capital improvement needs during our budgeting process so all of these expenditures were included in the FY2021-22 budget."

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Westland has been recognized as one of 24/7 Wall Street's America's Best 50 Cities to Live, offering residents and visitors an ideal blend of single – family affordable homes, apartments and condominiums, great schools, and access to numerous outdoor activities. Public safety is delivered by full-service, professional law enforcement and firefighting personnel.

Westland is well known as a premier destination for shopping and dining in Wayne County with hundreds of shops and restaurants anchored by the Westland shopping Center, one of the country's original four regional malls.

The City is served by two public school districts. Wayne-Westland Community Schools serving 12,000 youth was recently named one of the best schools in Michigan by WXYZ-TV and is the proud recipient of 14 Golden Apple and two Michigan Blue Ribbon Exemplary School Awards. Livonia Public Schools, educating nearly 15,000 students, is proud of their MEAP/MME scores that exceed State averages and the district has also earned Golden Apple and Michigan Blue Ribbon Exemplary School awards.

The City provides competitive incentives for those who are interested in investing in Westland, making it one of the hottest investment markets in the region. Westland's Fast-Track to Business Team, which consists of key decision makers who work diligently to "cut the red tape" and expedite the approval process for new business development.