City of Hesperia STAFF REPORT

DATE: October 5, 2021

TO: Chair and Board Members, Hesperia Water District

FROM: Nils Bentsen, City Manager

BY: Jeremy McDonald, Director of Public Works

Robert Worby, Fleet/Warehouse Supervisor

SUBJECT: Vehicle Procurement for Water Production Program



RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the Board of Directors of the Hesperia Water District authorize the City Manager to adopt Hesperia Water District (HWD) Resolution No. HWD 2021-18, amending the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22 Budget and appropriating \$102,360, for the procurement of one (1) new Ford Heavy Duty F-550 truck with a welder body, and eleven foot (11') certified auto crane for the Production program from Sunrise Ford in Fontana.

BACKGROUND

During FY 2021-22, a service truck which was purchased in 2008 and utilized by the Production program suffered catastrophic engine failure. The Production program requires a replacement vehicle to continue to maintain the quality of existing City services. Staff has located one truck that meets the program's needs.

ISSUES/ANALYSIS

The FY 2021-22 Budget does not include funding for the addition of one (1) service truck within Production, needed by the program for daily operations. Typically, a formal bid would be prepared for interested vendors to provide pricing with the lowest responsive/responsible bid presented to the City Council for authorization prior to purchasing the vehicle. Unfortunately, due to current economic conditions, vendors have been unwilling to hold prices and any existing inventory due to demand outpacing supply. Vehicles being manufactured can take at least nine months to a year or more for delivery.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funding for the one (1) Production vehicle is not available within Fund 700 (Water Operating). Therefore, staff is requesting approval from the Board of Directors of the Hesperia Water District to increase the Production program Budget by appropriating \$102,360 via HWD Resolution No. 2021-18.

ALTERNATIVE(S)

1. Provide alternative direction to staff.

ATTACHMENT(S)

1. HWD Resolution No. 2021-18