



## CITY OF BETHLEHEM

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To: Dr. Wandalyn J. Enix, Chairwoman, Finance Committee

From: Eric R. Evans, Business Administrator

RE: Request for Budget Transfer: Non-Utility Capital Fund

Date: September 12, 2023

### NON-UTILITY CAPITAL FUND

	From	To	Change
Police Vehicle Replacement #69000-662034	\$322,000	\$496,525	\$174,525
Ambulance Replacement #69000-66009	\$223,150	\$48,625	<u>(\$174,525)</u>
Change to Capital Budget			\$ 0

The request proposes to transfer funds to acquire 3 police patrol vehicles in order to continue improving the condition of the heavily used police fleet. In addition, supply chain issues and have created a backlog. (We are currently waiting for 7 patrol vehicles: 4 we ordered in 2022, and 3 we ordered in early 2023.) As a result, the fleet is in need of replacements to keep in good working order. This proposal would allow the city take steps in upgrading the police fleet without placing additional pressure on next year's operating budget. We will continue to look at savings during the year as an opportunity to achieve this goal.

3 ambulances have been acquired since 2021 with the assistance of grant funding, so upon review, another ambulance did not need to be purchased this year in order to stay on the planned replacement schedule, and police vehicles are in greater need at this time. The upcoming capital budget will continue to propose replacing 1 ambulance each year in order to keep the fleet of 8 ambulances in good working order. Ambulances log an average of 12,000-15,000 miles each year, so by the 8<sup>th</sup> year in service, an ambulance may have logged over 100,000 miles.