

CITY OF BETHLEHEM

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

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

FROM: Michael Alkhal, P.E., Director of Public Works/City Engineer

RE: Request for Budget Transfer & New Account

DATE: March 7, 2023

This is to request the following transfers in the Non-Utility Capital Improvement Public Works- Streets, and create a new account number.

Amount: \$45,545.

From: Account No. 69000-662037 Caterpillar Backhoe- Decrease item from \$155,000 to \$130,000 (\$25,000).

Account No. 69000-662036 Caterpillar Skid Steer Loader- Decrease item from \$75,000 to \$54,455 (\$20,545).


To: Account No. 69000-662040 Account Melter/Sealer Trailer- Increase from \$0 to \$45,545.

Reason: This request is to utilize a portion of the cost savings from trading in two pieces of equipment (\$52,732.57) to purchase a new Melter/Sealer trailer. The current Melter/Sealer is manually filled with hot tar to seal seams on newly paved streets and seal cracks on previously paved roads. The new unit, greatly improves quality, efficiency, and safety by eliminating the need to manually fill and pour buckets of hot tar. It's equipped with a boom, insulated hose, and trigger operated wand that is used to efficiently apply sealer directly to seams and cracks with no contact with hot tar. Material for the replacement trailer can be purchased in bulk solid block form, can be stocked on pallets to use as needed and allows to use year-round weather permitting, to increase longevity of our roads by vastly increasing our crack sealing program.

If you have any questions, please let me know. Thank you.

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