CITY OF HIGH POINT AGENDA ITEM



Title: Air Truck Donation – Fair Grove Fire Department

From: Thomas Reid, Fire Chief **Meeting Date:** November 16, 2015

Public Hearing: N/A

Advertising Date N/A

Advertised By: N/A

Attachments: Memo from Fire Chief

Picture of Truck Resolution

PURPOSE:

High Point Fire Department's 1990 Chevrolet Step-Van with compressor that has served as our air truck for the past 24 years can no longer meet the requirements to serve this organization due to the newer 5500 psi SCBA purchased with the AFG grant.

BACKGROUND:

The High Point Fire Department has a 1990 Chevrolet Step-Van with compressor that has served as our air truck for the past 24 years. This air truck was replaced in the 14/15 budget year with a new 2015 Mobile Air/Light Truck and compressor system that will fill our new SCBA equipment meeting the most current standards.

High Point Fire was approached to donate the 1990 Chevrolet Step-Van with compressor to Fair Grove Fire Department, which serves primarily the rural areas to our south and west that also includes parts of the Trinity Township.

Fair Grove Fire Department is a combination department that is staffed by 64 volunteers and few paid part-time personnel. In 2013 Fair Grove was awarded an 2014 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) to replace old Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA); however no funds were available to purchase a compressor which would have allowed them to fill these SCBA after usage. The City of Thomasville and others have graciously allowed Fair Grove to fill their SCBA bottles at the fixed station sites which takes their equipment out of service until it is filled.

Fair Grove is also a member of the Davidson County Firefighter's Association as well our department and we have mutual aid agreements with this organization.

BUDGET IMPACT:

None

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:

The Fire Department recommends Council approves the donation of the 1990 Chevrolet Step-Van with compressor to Fair Grove Fire Department and authorize the appropriate city official to execute all necessary documents.



HIGH POINT FIRE DEPARTMENT



Office of the Fire Chief

October 20, 2015

To:

Greg Demko, City Manager

From: Thomas Reid, Fire Chief

Ref:

Air Truck Donation

Greg,

The Fire Department has a 1990 Chevrolet Step-Van with compressor that has served as our air truck for the past 24 years. The air truck was replaced in the 14/15 budget year with a new truck and compressor system that will fill our new SCBA equipment meeting the most current standards. The value of the old air truck is estimated at 5,000.00 to 8,000.00 at best. As you know the SCBA packs and breathing equipment that was part of this necessary upgrade has been funded by a AFG grant with a private match for our part and I think it would serve the city well to help others less fortunate than us.

I am proposing that we donate the surplus 1990 Chevrolet Step-Van with compressor to Fair Grove Fire Department which serves primarily rural areas to our south and west border including parts of the Trinity Township. Fair Grove Fire Department is a combination department that has 64 volunteers and few part-time paid personnel. In 2013 Fair Grove was awarded a grant that allowed them to purchase newer SCBA that improved their capabilities but they do not have a compressor system to fill them. The City of Thomasville and others have graciously allowed Fair Grove to fill their SCBA bottles at the fixed station sites which takes their equipment out of service until it is filled.

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Respectfully,

Thomas Reid, Fire Chief



RESOLUTION APPROVING DONATION OF SURPLUS AIR TRUCK EQUIPMENT TO FAIR GROVE FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC. PURSUANT TO G.S. 160A-280

WHEREAS, the City of High Point owns a 1990 Chevrolet Step-Van with compressor, which is no longer useful to the City and should be declared as surplus to the City's needs; and

WHEREAS, N.C.G.S. 160A-280 allows cities to donate to a nonprofit corporation any personal property that the City Council deems surplus, obsolete, or unused; and

WHEREAS, City staff recommends that the above-described City equipment be declared surplus and be donated to the Fair Grove Fire Department, Inc., a nonprofit organization incorporated in the State of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of N.C.G.S. 160A-280, the High Point City Council has caused a public notice of this proposed donation to be posted at least five days prior to the adoption of this Resolution approving the donation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the High Point City Council that (1) the equipment identified above is hereby declared to be surplus to the needs of the City of High Point based upon its age and condition; and (2) public notice of this proposed Resolution has been posted at least five days prior to the adoption of this Resolution approving the donation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the High Point City Council hereby approves the donation of the surplus City equipment, and that the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of High Point, the necessary documents to convey ownership of the above-described equipment by donation to the Fair Grove Fire Department, Inc. pursuant to the provisions of N.C.G.S. 160A-280.

Adopted: November 16, 2015

Lisa B. Vierling, High Point City Clerk