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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Charlina Lowrie, Director, Department of Finance

THROUGH:

Juliana, B. Bellia, Director

FROM:

Ken Rappuhn, Fleet Manager

SUBJECT:

Department of Public Works Operations and Maintenance Division Fiscal Year 2019 New and

Replacement Vehicles

DATE:

December 11, 2018

The Operations and Maintenance Division of the Department of Public Works originally budgeted to purchase and replace a Caterpillar 313C and a Gradall XL3100V for an approved budget of \$582,000. Since the original budget workshops and approved fiscal year 2019 budget, the Operations and Maintenance has identified and made adjustments to improve efficiencies in the daily operations. These efficiencies include adjusting operational procedures and researching to find the best suited equipment for the tasks at hand.

Caterpillar introduced a new wheeled excavator, a CAT 315, with the same specifications and capacities as the Gradall 3100 on a much more compact frame and at a lower cost. This will allow crews to work on the narrow local roadways and allow for a travel lane to remain open. This design is also safer as the counterweight does not extend beyond the outriggers during operation, which will improve the safety of the crew and the public.

The Operations and Maintenance Division would like to continue to replace a Caterpillar 313C and Gradall XL3100V but would like to replace them with two (2) Caterpillar 315s. The new estimated total cost for this purchase would be under \$450,000 which is \$132,000 less than the approved budget for these two items.

I concur with this adjustment and the proper purchasing procedures will follow if approved.

Should you have any questions, or desire any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Cc: PW Electronic File Chuck Speake, Operations and Maintenance Manager