



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Dean Rich, Director of Finance
Walter Denton, City Administrator

Date: October 17, 2005

Subject: Resolution to Finance a New Fire Truck –Heavy Rescue Squad

List of committees that have reviewed: Public Safety

Background: The current Heavy Rescue Squad is 25 years old and in need of replacement due to age and mechanical condition. The Volunteer Fire Department formed a Truck committee to seek bids for a new truck. A total of 4 bids were received on August 31, 2005 and Emergency Vehicles Incorporated (EVI) was the company selected to provide the best truck to meet present and future needs of the department. The Rescue Squad is the piece of fire apparatus that carries the emergency air pack, emergency lights, the emergency rescue equipment, such as the jaws of life, and serves as communications command post for all emergencies and fires.

Legal Considerations, if any: None

Budget Impact: This is a \$750,000 piece of fire apparatus that the fire department has arranged to purchase through specification adjustment and help with financing from the Bank of O'Fallon. By agreeing to provide the money up front the bank helped save \$36,673.00. This is a capital budget approved item.

Staff recommendation: Staff recommends Council approval for this resolution and purchase.