



**CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

ADMINISTRATION

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Laurel Lunt Prussing and Members of the City Council
FROM: William R. Gray, Director of Public Works
Ronald C. Eldridge, Comptroller
DATE: September 1, 2011
RE: Budget Amendment Ordinance
Street Sweeper Purchase

The City of Urbana utilizes two street sweepers--a main sweeper that is used each work day for five years and a backup sweeper that is used periodically years six through ten years. (The main sweeper will become the backup sweeper.) It is important to have two sweepers, especially when the leaves are falling in order to prevent street flooding and clogging of the storm sewer system. Unfortunately, sweepers are expensive (\$170,000 including trade-in).

At present, the backup sweeper needs approximately \$20,000 of repairs and is not scheduled to be replaced for two years (2013). Renting or leasing a sweeper has been explored; however, this is very expensive (\$2500 per month) and one is not always available.

The Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Fund (VERF) annually sets aside monies for the replacement of the sweeper. Currently, there is \$115,500 set aside in VERF. Including the \$20,000 repair cost, the amount available to put toward the purchase is \$135,500. The additional amount needed from the VERF fund balance would be \$34,500 (\$170,000 cost of the equipment less the \$135,500 available). The VERF fund balance can afford this purchase. Public Works would then have two sweepers in good to excellent condition (1 brand new and a backup only 3 years old). Public Works staff would then extend the life of the main sweeper by two additional years, thus saving \$25,000 of the additional \$34,500.

In summary, it is recommended that the City Council approve the attached budget amendment ordinance to allow for the replacement of the sweeper this year.

ORDINANCE 2011-09-107

**AN ORDINANCE REVISING THE ANNUAL BUDGET ORDINANCE
(PURCHASE OF STREET SWEEPER)**

WHEREAS, the Annual Budget Ordinance of and for the City of Urbana, Champaign County, Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011, and ending June 30, 2012, (the "Annual Budget Ordinance") has been duly adopted according to sections 8-2-9.1 et seq. of the Illinois Municipal Code (the "Municipal Code") and Division 2, entitled "Budget", of Article VI, entitled "Finances and Purchases", of Chapter 2, entitled "Administration", of the Code of Ordinances, City of Urbana, Illinois (the "City Code"); and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the said City of Urbana finds it necessary to revise said Annual Budget Ordinance by deleting, adding to, changing or creating sub-classes within object classes and object classes themselves; and

WHEREAS, funds are available to effectuate the purpose of such revision; and

WHEREAS, such revision is not one that may be made by the Budget Director under the authority so delegated to the Budget Director pursuant to section 8-2-9.6 of the Municipal Code and section 2-133 of the City Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS, as follows:

Section 1. That the Annual Budget be and the same is hereby revised to provide as follows:

FUND:	Vehicle and Equipment Replacement	
ADD EXPENSE:	Purchase of Street Sweeper	\$170,000
FROM:	Fund Balance	\$170,000

Section 2. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage and approval and shall not be published.

Section 3. This Ordinance is hereby passed by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the corporate authorities then holding office, the "ayes" and "nays" being called at a regular meeting of said Council.

PASSED by the City Council this _____ day of _____, 2011.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSTAINED:

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

APPROVED by the Mayor this _____ day of _____, 2011.

Laurel Lunt Prussing, Mayor