

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

**SUBJECT: REALLOCATION OF REMAINING 2013/14 FIRE DEPARTMENT
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS**

BACKGROUND:

In the early morning of June 7th, 2015, a small tornado (per the Iowa Weather Service) briefly touched down in the area of South Duff and Airport Rd, causing severe damage to all three apparatus bay doors to Fire Station #3 and minor metal flashing damage to the roof. Professional repair personnel have recommended complete replacement of the three apparatus bay doors. Total cost estimates to the metal flashing repairs and replacement of bay doors are approximately \$15,000. Staff is currently pursuing insurance reimbursement through the City's Risk Manager, but after deductible, total reimbursement is likely to cover only a small percentage of the repairs.

In early 2013, City Council authorized \$53,270 to a Capital Improvements Plan for fire station Improvements. These funds were dedicated to repairs and maintenance projects to all three fire stations, including remodeling of the kitchen and office areas at Station #1 (1300 Burnett), installation of iron fencing at Station #2 (132 Welch), and truck room floor painting, and sidewalk/driveway repairs at Station #3 (2400 S. Duff).

Work was completed at both Station #1 and #2. However for Station #3, truck room floor painting is no longer needed and Public Works personnel have recommended much larger long term sidewalk/driveway repairs that should be deferred for several years. This leaves an available balance of \$14,888 in the CIP for fire station improvements. **Staff is recommending that the remaining \$14,888 from the 2013/14 CIP be reallocated to cover the cost of replacing the apparatus bay doors at Fire Station #3.**

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the reallocation of remaining FY 2013/14 Capital Improvement Program funds designated for fire station improvements for new apparatus bay doors and metal roof flashing repairs at Fire Station #3.
2. Approve funding for these repairs from the General Fund Contingency Account.
2. Deny the reallocation of remaining 2013/14 Capital Improvement Funds for Fire Station #3 repairs.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The approved FY 2013/14 Capital Improvement Plan included funds for fire station improvements. The remaining \$14,888 available from this project, if reallocated, could cover nearly all of the necessary costs for repairs associated with the tornado damage caused at Fire Station #3.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby approving reallocation of remaining FY 2013/14 Capital Improvement Program funds for new apparatus bay doors and metal roof flashing repairs at Fire Station #3.