

**CITY OF WEST ALLIS
RESOLUTION R-2024-0484**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REALLOCATION OF 2024 CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENT BUDGET FUNDS FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF PLYMOVENT
VEHICLE EXHAUST SYSTEMS IN THE CITY OF WEST ALLIS FIRE STATIONS**

WHEREAS, the City of West Allis Fire Department operates three fire stations equipped with a vehicle exhaust extraction system known as Plymovent, which is essential for the removal of harmful vehicle exhaust from fire station garages to ensure compliance with National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standards and to support the City's cancer prevention efforts; and

WHEREAS, the current Plymovent systems in all three fire stations have reached the end of their operational life, are no longer supported by the manufacturer, and are in a state of disrepair, with nearly 75% of the garage bays' Plymovent units currently non-functional, posing significant health and safety risks to fire personnel and the public; and

WHEREAS, despite significant expenditures over the past several years to maintain the Plymovent systems using outside contractors and Department of Public Works (DPW) staff, the systems can no longer be effectively repaired and must be replaced entirely at an estimated cost of \$70,000; and

WHEREAS, the urgency of this situation requires immediate action, as delaying the replacement of the Plymovent systems until the next capital budget cycle would continue to expose fire personnel and the public to harmful vehicle exhaust, including carbon monoxide, due to the lack of a make-up air system in the garages; and

WHEREAS, the City's 2024 capital improvement budget currently includes a \$55,000 line item for HVAC repairs and a \$34,000 allocation for the replacement of garage doors at one fire station, funds which are unspent and which, given the uncertainty surrounding the future of that building, may be more effectively utilized for the critical and time-sensitive replacement of the Plymovent systems;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of West Allis that the 2024 capital improvement budget be amended to reallocate the \$55,000 originally designated for HVAC repairs and the \$34,000 originally designated for garage door replacement to fund the \$70,000 needed for the immediate replacement of the Plymovent vehicle exhaust systems in all three fire stations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of Public Works and the Fire Chief are hereby authorized and directed to take all necessary actions to expedite the replacement of the Plymovent systems, ensuring the health and safety of fire personnel and the public, and compliance with NFPA standards.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk shall ensure that a copy of this resolution

is transmitted to the appropriate City officials and departments for immediate implementation.

SECTION 1: **ADOPTION** “R-2024-0484” of the City Of West Allis
Municipal Resolutions is hereby *added* as follows:

ADOPTION

R-2024-0484(*Added*)

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF WEST ALLIS COUNCIL

	AYE	NAY	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Ald. Ray Turner	_____	_____	_____	_____
Ald. Kimberlee Grob	_____	_____	_____	_____
Ald. Chad Halvorsen	_____	_____	_____	_____
Ald. Marissa Nowling	_____	_____	_____	_____
Ald. Suzzette Grisham	_____	_____	_____	_____
Ald. Danna Kuehn	_____	_____	_____	_____
Ald. Dan Roadt	_____	_____	_____	_____
Ald. Patty Novak	_____	_____	_____	_____
Ald. Kevin Haass	_____	_____	_____	_____
Ald. Marty Weigel	_____	_____	_____	_____

Attest

Presiding Officer

Rebecca Grill, City Clerk, City Of
West Allis

Dan Devine, Mayor, City Of West
Allis