

HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES

STATE OF MICHIGAN

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

1. The sponsoring representative's first name: Reggie

2. The sponsoring representative's last name: Miller

3. The cosponsoring representatives' names. All cosponsors must be listed. If none, please type 'n/a.' A signed letter from the sponsor approving the co-sponsorship and a signed letter from the member wishing to co-sponsor are required. Attach letters at question #9 below.

n/a

4. Name of the entity that the spending item is intended for: City of Romulus

5. Physical address of the entity that the spending item is intended for: 11111 Wayne Rd, Romulus, MI 48174

- 6. If there is not a specific recipient, the intended location of the project or activity: $\ensuremath{n/a}$
- 7. Name of the representative and the district number where the legislatively directed spending item is located:

Rep. Reggie Miller, MI-HD-31

- 8. Purpose of the legislatively directed spending item. Please include how it provides a public benefit and why it is an appropriate use of taxpayer funding. Please also demonstrate that the item does not violate Article IV, S 30 of the Michigan Constitution. The City of Romulus is requesting \$1,000,000 to replace their front-line pumper Fire Engine that is aging out. This appropriation would allow the purchase of a state-of-the-art fire truck that will directly enhance emergency response, improve community safety, and help the City of Romulus achieve a more favorable insurance rating for residents and businesses
- 9. Attach documents here if needed:

Attachments added to the end of this file.

10. The amount of state funding requested for the legislatively directed spending item. 1000000

11. Has the legislatively directed spending item previously received any of the following types of funding? Check all that apply.

["None"]

12. Please select one of the following groups that describes the entity requesting the legislatively directed spending item:

Local unit government

13. For a non-profit organization, has the organization been operating within Michigan for the preceding 36 months?

Not applicable

14. For a non-profit organization, has the entity had a physical office within Michigan for the preceding 12 months?

Not applicable

15. For a non-profit organization, does the organization have a board of directors? Not applicable

- 16. For a non-profit organization, list all the active members on the organization's board of directors and any other officers. If this question is not applicable, please type 'n/a.'
- 17. "I certify that neither the sponsoring representative nor the sponsoring representative's staff or immediate family has a direct or indirect pecuniary interest in the legislatively directed spending item."

Yes, this is correct

18. Anticipated start and end dates for the legislatively directed spending item:

Available for Purchase Fall 2025

19. "I hereby certify that all information provided in this request is true and accurate."

Yes



295 Industrial Park Drive Belleville, MI 48111

SALES PROPOSAL

Date: 2/28/2025

THIS PROPOSAL ("Proposal") is made by and between R&R Fire Truck Repair Inc., ("R&R"), and City of Romulus Fire Department 28777 Eureka Road Romulus, MI 48174 ("Customer") for the purchase of One (1) new Spartan ER S-180 model 2106 pumper per the attached specifications. In exchange for the Apparatus and Equipment, Customer agrees to pay R&R the sum of Nine Hundred Fifty Three Thousand Three Hundred Eighty One Dollars (*\$953,381.00) ("Purchase Price"). If this proposal is not accepted by the purchaser within 30 days from the date proposed, we reserve the right to withdraw this proposal.

- (1) Subject to the terms of this Proposal, the R&R shall furnish, and Customer shall purchase, the apparatus and equipment ("Apparatus and Equipment") described and in accordance in all material respects with the specifications ("Original Specifications") submitted with the bid proposal (the "Bid Proposal"). In the event there is any conflict between Original Specification and the Bid Proposal, the Bid Proposal will prevail.
- (2) This Proposal for Apparatus and Equipment conforms to all Federal Department of Transportation (DOT) and Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) rules and regulations and to all National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Guidelines for Automotive Fire Apparatus in effect as of the Effective Date. Any increased cost incurred by the manufacturer because of future changes in or additions to such DOT, EPA or NFPA standards will be passed along to Customer as an addition to the Purchase Price set forth below.
- (3) The Apparatus and Equipment shall be ready for delivery from the factory, within 360 days. This delivery timeframe is subject to modification if there are customer driven delays to holding the pre-construction meeting and/or if there are customer driven delays to returning the corresponding signed change order to the factory. All days exceeding 10 days after the pre-construction conclusion with priced change order ready for approval will be added to the above-mentioned delivery timeframe.
- (4) A competent R&R service representative shall be provided to demonstrate and provide instructions in the handling and operation of Apparatus or Equipment described herein.
- (5) Any applicable taxes not specified noted above will be paid by Customer directly or will be added to the Purchase Price. If Customer claims exemption from any tax, Customer shall furnish applicable exemption certificate to R&R and hold R&R harmless from any such tax, interest or penalty which may at any time be assessed against R&R.

All payments must be made to R&R Fire Truck Repair Inc. Any representation that payment is to be to any other party is unauthorized.

- (6) R&R warrants that, at the time of delivery, the Apparatus and Equipment shall comply in all material respects with the Original Specifications. OTHER MANUFACTUER WARRANTIES APPLICABLE TO THE APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT ARE THOSE EXPRESSLY SET FORTH IN THE BID PROPOSAL AND IDENTIFIED AS APPLYING TO THE APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT. SUCH WARRANTIES ARE IN LIEU OF ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE.
- (7) This proposal becomes part of the binding contract upon signing a "Contract" between R&R and customer along with authorized signatures of R&R (company officer) and Customer (authorized officials) signatures.

R&R Sales Representative Signature

*The following items shall be included in the price of the project.

- Five (5) 2-1/2" intakes & discharges shall terminate with 2-1/2" Storz couplings with stortz blind caps. Pump panels, rear discharge, and intakes.
- Supply and Install Two (2) (BLACK) crosslay hose bed end covers.
- Provide & Install One (1) (BLACK) rear hose bed flap.

Install additional shelving and trays as noted:

- One (1) Upper, Full Width x Half Depth shelving in:
 One in Compartment R3 upper
- Two (2) Lower, Full Width x Full Depth shelving in:
 One each in Compartment L3 lower and R1 lower
- Four (4) Lower, Full Width x Full Depth Roll Out Tray in:
 One each in Compartments £1 lower, L-3 lower, R-1 lower, R-3 lower
- 1"-4"-1" Striping. Black reflective to match E-1
- Supply & install two (2) FRC Spectra 20,000 lumen 12V telescoping scene lights on rear face of chassis.
- Supply and install two (2) EMS cabinets in rear facing seat location, behind driver and officer seats. ROM doors, locking, with LED lighting. Match Current E-1
- Install three (3) high (full height) Pac Trac boards in body compartment as listed: Upper back wall of Compartments L1, L2, L3, R1, R2 Allowance for Pac Trac brackets, miscellaneous tool mounting brackets
- Two (2) Task Force Tip Ball Intake Valves, Model ABD3ST-NX along with blind caps
- Eight (8) 100' sections (800') of 5" Snap-Tite supply line, cloth covered with 5" Storz couplings. Yellow
- Two (2) 25' sections (50') of 5" Snap-Tite supply hose, cloth covered with 5" Storz couplings. Yellow
- Fourteen (14) 50' sections (700') of 2-1/2" Snap-Tite DJ attack hose, cloth covered with 2-1/2" Storz couplings
- Twelve (12) 50' sections (600') of 1-3/4" Snap-Tite DJ attack hose, cloth covered with 1-1/2" NST couplings
- Two (2) 100' sections (200') of 1" Firequip Alarm rubber booster hose, installed on reel
- One (1) Task Force Tip Nozzle, Model B-BGH Ultimatic with pistol grip 1" Female, 10-125
 GPM
- One (1) Task Force Tip 2-1/2" Handline Nozzle with pistol grip, Model HL-2VPGI, 2-1/2"
 Storz coupling.
- One (1) Elkhart Stinger 2.0 Model 8297-98P Deck gun and mounting with stream shaper and stacked tips, and SM-1250 fog nozzle

- One (1) Hurst S799E2 Cutter, charger, 2-EXL batteries
- One (1) Hurst SP555E2 Spreader, charger, 2- EXL batteries
- One (1) Hurst R421E2 Ram, charger, 2-EXL batteries
- Two (2) 110V Power Supply adapter plugs

- Thermal Imaging Camera Drager UCF Fire Vista 9000
- One FIRECOM UHW505 communication system shall be installed in the apparatus cab.
 Five (5) headsets (one for each seating position) shall be provided, with one (1) additional location provided at the pump operator panel.
- Motorola Radio APX 6500 mobile radio 7/800 mhZradio
- Supply & install One (1) set Wheel Chocks, below Compartment L-1



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The Honorable Reggie Miller State Representative, District #31 Lansing, MI

March 7, 2025

Dear Representative Miller:

I am writing on behalf of the Romulus Fire Department to respectfully request your support and consideration for critical budget assistance to acquire a new fire truck. The City of Romulus has made a strong commitment to providing the highest level of public safety services, yet our growing operational demands and aging apparatus fleet underscore the urgent need for modern equipment. An investment of approximately \$1 million will allow the purchase of a state-of-the-art fire truck that will directly enhance emergency response, improve community safety, and help us achieve a more favorable insurance rating for residents and businesses.

Background and Justification

1. Rising Call Volume

Over the past decade, the Romulus Fire Department's annual call volume has **doubled**—from approximately **2,500 calls to over 5,000**. Overall, we continue to respond to a wide range of emergencies (structural and industrial fires, EMS, and specialized rescues) at a pace that strains our existing fleet and personnel.

2. Geographic Challenges

Romulus faces unique obstacles because of **Detroit Metropolitan Airport**—a nine-square-mile site located at the center of our jurisdiction. Our crews must often drive around the airport to reach emergencies in surrounding areas, which adds distance to each response. Additionally, the **CSX (north-south) and Norfolk Southern (east-west) railroad tracks** bisect the City. Train crossings can remain blocked anywhere from **30 minutes to several hours**, delaying vital emergency responses. Though we partner with neighboring departments and have lobbied for a grade separation at Pennsylvania Road, we need an immediate solution to ensure coverage. Our planned new fire station on the western side of these tracks—combined with a reliable, modern fire engine—will dramatically reduce response times.



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3. Public Safety and ISO Rating

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4. Community Benefits

- o **Enhanced Safety:** Faster, more reliable responses protect our residents, businesses, and critical infrastructure, including airport stand-by, fires and other emergencies.
- **Economic Impact:** A lower ISO rating translates to **potentially reduced insurance costs** for homeowners and businesses, supporting local investment and growth.
- o **Operational Efficiency:** Modern apparatus reduces maintenance costs over time, allowing us to reallocate resources toward training, medical equipment, and community outreach.

Request and Use of Funds

We seek a **\$1 million** allocation in the upcoming budget to purchase a new fire truck that meets current NFPA standards, fully equipped to serve the diverse needs of our city. Your endorsement and assistance in securing these funds will have a profound impact on our ability to safeguard the City of Romulus. Specifically, the funding will cover:

- Chassis and Body Construction: A custom, heavy-duty design built to NFPA and industry specifications.
- **Pump, Water Tank, and Equipment:** Adequate fire suppression capability, storage, and modern firefighting tools.
- Advanced Safety Features: Rollover protection, electronic stability control, and occupant restraint systems, ensuring firefighters and public safety.



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Conclusion

The Romulus Fire Department's commitment to operational excellence is unwavering, but we require updated apparatus to match the scale of our growing demands and unique geographic barriers. By investing in a new fire truck, we can reduce response times, uphold critical safety standards, and continue to protect our residents and businesses effectively.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. We value our partnership with the State of Michigan and look forward to working closely with your office on this essential funding initiative. If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 734-955-4547.

Sincerely,

Kevin Krause

Director of Community Safety and Development



March 11, 2025

The Honorable Reggie Miller State Representative, District #31 Lansing, MI

RE: Letter of Support, City of Romulus Fire Department Fire Truck

Dear Representative Miller,

SEMCOG, the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments, is pleased to support the City of Romulus Fire Departments funding request of \$1 million. This investment will enable the purchase of a state-of-the-art fire truck, enhancing emergency response capabilities, improving public safety, and helping to achieve a better ISO rating. The new truck will reduce response times, particularly across geographic challenges like railroad delays and the airport, ultimately benefiting both residents and businesses through improved safety and potential cost savings.

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As the region's designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), SEMCOG looks favorably on projects of this type. This project is consistent with the policies of SEMCOG's long-range transportation plan, Vision 2050, as it will enhance a critical component of community safety. While this project cannot be added to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) until a written notice of funding award has been received, SEMCOG is prepared to act quickly and include the project in the TIP as soon as funds are identified.

SEMCOG strongly supports our local community leaders as they work to maintain and upgrade critical infrastructure and improve the quality of life for the residents of southeast Michigan, for which enhancing emergency response capabilities are a key criterion.

Please contact me at 313-324-3350 or oleary@semcog.org if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

Executive Director