ROSS VALLEY FIRE DEPARTMENT STAFF REPORT

For the meeting of September 14, 2016

To:

Board of Directors

From:

Captain Craig Dow

Mark Mills, Fire Chief

Subject:

Sale of the 1994 Pierce All Wheel Steer (AWS) Type 1 Fire Engine

RECOMMENDATION:

For the Board to authorize staff to initiate a contract with Brindlee Mountain Fire Apparatus to sell the 1994 Pierce All Wheel Steer (AWS) Type 1 fire engine (E22).

BACKGROUND:

Engine 22 is a 1994 Pierce All Wheel Steer (AWS) Type 1 fire engine that was purchased for \$230,000.00. It has exceeded the 20 year lifespan, as recommended by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) and is scheduled for surplus, according the Department's replacement schedule which was adopted in April, 2013. It has been fully depreciated and for the past five years it has been utilized as a reserve apparatus. Due to exorbitant maintenance costs over the last year (\$15,000) it has been stripped of equipment and placed out of service.

DISCUSSION:

Staff proposes to sell the fire engine through Brindlee Mountain Fire Apparatus. Brindlee specializes in fire apparatus sales and the cost for services are consistent with other vendors. Brindlee is well known and respected nationwide for selling used fire apparatus and is one of the world's largest used fire truck sales and service companies. Currently, Corte Madera is listing their AWS Type 1 engine with Brindlee as well. There would be no binding contract with Brindlee and Ross Valley Fire would be free to sell the fire engine itself, at any time, with no fees or penalties.

FISCAL IMPACT:

According to Brindlee Mountain Fire Apparatus, similar units have been listed in the \$45,000-\$60,000 range, but actual offers could be lower. A ten percent marketing/broker fee will be applied if Brindlee Mountain Fire Apparatus provides a successful buyer. Funds received from the sale will be placed in the apparatus purchase account.

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