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TO: LOCSO Board of Directors

FROM: Ron Munds, General Manager
Paul Provence, Cal Fire North Coast Battalion Chief

SUBJECT: Agenda Item 6G – 10/07/2021 Board Meeting
Approve Revised Cost Estimate plus Contingencies for the
Purchase of the New Fire Engine for Station 15.

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DESCRIPTION

At the May 7, 2020 Board meeting, the Board approved the purchase of a new fire engine for Station 15 and a budget not to exceed \$710,000. This report explains the changes that have occurred since the approval and the budget needed to complete the purchase.

SUMMARY OF STAFF RECOMMENDATION

This item will be approved along with the Consent Calendar unless it is pulled by a Director for separate consideration. If so, Staff recommends that the Board adopt the following motion:

Motion: I move that the Board approve a revised budget, including contingencies, of \$750,000.

DISCUSSION

At the May 7, 2020 Board meeting, the Board approved the purchase of a new fire engine for Station 15 and a budget not to exceed \$710,000. The original price included the cost of the truck, equipping of the needed apparatus and sales tax.

Due to the closure of the County Fire Department fabrication shop some un-budgeted costs will be incurred. Cal Fire will be seeking the services of Fire Apparatus Solutions to complete the fabrication work that would otherwise have been performed at the now closed shop. This work will entail the installation of radios, computer systems, equipment charging systems, tool mounting etc. Fire Apparatus Solutions is the vendor that is being used by Cal fire to complete the work on their newly purchased engines. Cal fire has been quoted approximate \$30,000 to complete this work by the vendor. This will put the cost of the new engine above the approved not to exceed number of \$710,000 approved by the Board. It is recommended that the Board approve an additional \$40,000 for a total of \$750,000 to cover the cost of the fabrication work and any additional costs that may incur prior the engine being placed into service.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The following is a breakdown of the current and estimated costs to complete the purchase:

	Cost	Description
Original Estimate	\$710,000	Truck, equipment, tax
Additional Costs	\$30,000	Radios, computers, etc.
	\$10,000	Contingencies
TOTAL	\$750,000	

The new fire engine expenditure has been anticipated for the last two Financial Plans and there are adequate reserves in place to cover the added expenses. Also, it was expected to purchase a new utility vehicle this fiscal year which has been deferred until Fiscal Year 2022-2023. The deferral results in a budget savings of approximately \$71,000.