

Memo

To: City Council
From: Amy E. Gilson, P.E., Director of Public Works
Date: May 10, 2021
Re: Emergency Purchase

In accordance with Section 2-182 of the City Ordinances, this memo is to advise you of an emergency purchase of two new pumps for the Northway Lift Station.

Earlier this month I was notified by the Utility Superintendent that one of the two pumps at the Northway Lift Station had failed. It was removed and sent for repairs to Kennedy Industries who is the Michigan representative for that brand of pump.

The pump was torn apart, and it needed repairs that exceeded the cost of a new pump. Kennedy then came out to the Lift Station to evaluate the other pump that was also installed in 2003. It was determined after testing that the one functioning pump was only operating at 50% of its capacity. Both pumps needed immediate replacement to prevent a sewer backup. The cost of the two pumps, a variable frequency drive (VFD), appurtenances, and on-site technician assistance from Kennedy Industries is \$10,770.00. The pumps were in stock and are scheduled to be installed May 13, 2021.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

cc: Erin LaPere, City Manager