



# City Council Report

**Date:** August 18, 2014  
**To:** City Council  
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**Subject:** Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) grant for purchase of two PM-10 certified street sweeper projects for FY2014 Citywide

## Strategic Initiatives



### Purpose and Recommendation

The purpose of this report is to request authorization for the acceptance of the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) grant for purchase of two PM-10 certified street sweeper projects for FY2014.

Staff recommends the City Council authorize Transportation accept this grant.

### Background

On March 26, 2014, the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) Regional Council approved funding the PM-10 certified street sweeper projects for FY2014 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) funding. MAG informed the City on April 7, 2014 that the two PM-10 certified street sweeper projects requested by the City of Mesa had been authorized for FY 2014 CMAQ funding in the amount of \$483,440 (or \$214,720 for each sweeper). By accepting this grant, the City is agreeing to provide a 5.7 percent cash match in the amount of \$29,222 (or \$14,611 for each sweeper). The City is also responsible for funding the costs associated with not eligible purchase items in the estimated amount of \$48,124 (or \$24,062 per sweeper).

Not eligible purchase item costs are those additional costs for equipment beyond the specifications necessary for compliance with Rule 1186-certification and are not eligible for reimbursement. Examples of ineligible equipment that the Transportation is to include when purchasing the sweeper include automatic lubrication system, hopper access step, and dual HiBack air-suspended seats.

## **Discussion**

The purpose of requesting the authorization to accept this grant is that it will enable Transportation to finalize coordination with other departments for the purchase of these street-sweepers.

Finance Department is aware of the grant, as well as Purchasing. Transportation must finalize the purchase of these sweepers in order to address new Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) procedures to minimize inactive obligations. In order to meet these FHWA procedures, the sweepers must be purchased and reimbursement requests be submitted to MAG by March 26, 2015.

## **Alternatives**

The City Council could choose not to accept this grant. The City's Transportation Department will not be able to replace two street sweepers that are beyond their useful lives. Furthermore, it would increase the operation and maintenance budget use to maintain these old sweepers in a functional manner. These sweepers would eventually be replaced using the fleet replacement fund in the future.

## **Fiscal Impact**

The City is obligated to provide a 5.7 percent cash match in the amount of \$14,611 for each sweeper. The City is also responsible for financing the costs associated with not eligible purchase items in the amount of \$24,062 per sweeper.

## **Coordination**

The terms and requirements of this grant have been presented to Finance, the Grants office and Fleet. These terms and requirements have been accepted by all.