



East Lansing
Public Schools

MEMORANDUM

TO: ELPS Board of Education & Dori Leyko, Superintendent

FROM: Richard Pugh, Director of Finance & Operations

SUBJECT: Informational Item – Plow Truck

DATE: February 5, 2024

Background:

The District has historically supplemented in-house snow removal services with contracted snow removal services for some of the district's sites. The City of East Lansing was a long-time snow removal partner until the redesign of the elementary parking lots. In recent years, the District has used another contractor. Mr. Hastings, Director of Operations, would like to have more control over snow removal by completely bringing the service in-house. With the addition of in-house staff for custodial and courier service the District has the necessary staff but would need another plow truck.

Attached are three bids received for a used plow truck. Each bid is net of a \$19,500 trade-in value for the 2021 Ford Escape. The Ford Escape is used for district-wide courier services. We would utilize the used plow truck for courier services. Please note that the snow blade can be easily attached and removed from the truck. The recommended purchase is the lowest cost bid of \$17,648. This cost does include a plow package but does not include a snow blade. An eight-foot straight snow blade is estimated at \$5,000.