

**COUNCIL AUTHORITY FOR CONTRACT AWARDS  
CONTRACT INCREASE**

<b>Project Award</b>	Contract Increase – Supply and Delivery of Truck Chassis
<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Staff is recommending approval to proceed with a contract increase to Hunt Chrysler for the provision of one (1) Truck Chassis in the amount of \$96,648 (exclusive of HST).</b>
<b>Purpose of Report</b>	As per Section 10.1 of Purchasing By-law No. 061-2018, Council approval is required.
<b>Background information</b>	<p>Tender 22-564 for the Supply and Delivery of Two (2) Dodge Ram 5500 Regular Cab Chassis Trucks Equipped with a 16 foot Van Aluminum Body was awarded through PDA-015-22 in the amount of \$341,968 (exclusive of HST) for the purpose of a Sign Truck to maintain existing signs and installing new signs throughout the Town. This total consisted of \$76,538 for the truck chassis and \$265,420 for the aluminum body, ladder and crane that were to be manufactured by a third-party company and then assembled onto the truck chassis. The Tender was for the purchase of two (2) trucks, however the Town only awarded the purchase of one (1) truck based on budget availability. There have been no change orders to date.</p> <p>During the construction of the aluminum body, ladder and crane system it became evident that the original specified truck chassis does not meet the required rear axle legal weight specifications because the van body, ladder and crane were heavier than their original estimate. To ensure compliance to the Ministry of Transportation legal axle weight requirement a heavier truck chassis is required.</p> <p>This procurement involves purchasing a heavier truck chassis from a vehicle manufacturer to accommodate the required the aluminum body, ladder and crane that are manufactured by a third-party company and assembled onto the truck chassis.</p> <p>Staff are evaluating the potential for repurposing the original chassis for integration into a 2025 growth truck, ensuring alignment with operational needs and cost-effectiveness.</p> <p>The contract increase in the amount of \$96,648 (exclusive of HST) is for the purchase of one (1) new truck chassis.</p> <p>The new total award amount for this tender will be \$438,816 (exclusive of HST).</p>

<b>Financial Planning Section: Budget Impact</b> (Note 1)	
<b>Account Number(s)</b>	C45014921-A0614-7110
<b>Account Description</b>	Sign Truck
<b>Project Total Budget</b>	\$357,924
<b>Contract Budget</b>	\$0
<b>Actual</b> (Net of HST Rebate)	\$98,349
<b>Variance</b> (Note 2)	\$98,349 (U)
<b>Funding Source</b>	Project Variance Account

Note 1: Financial impact includes any non-refundable portion of HST.

Note 2: Staff are evaluating the feasibility of repurposing the original chassis for integration into a 2025 growth truck which may result in future budget reduction within this project that would be reported back through a future Capital Variance report anticipated in 2025.