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CITY OF DANBURY
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS



MAYOR
Honorable Mark D. Boughton

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR
Antonio Iadarola, P.E.

MEMORANDUM

Date: March 26, 2007

To: Dena Diorio, Finance/Personnel Director

From: Antonio Iadarola, P.E., Director of Public Works

Re: Additional Appropriation for Equipment Maintenance Division

The Equipment Maintenance Division, which is responsible for providing the manpower and funds to repair the entire City fleet of equipment and vehicles. This division needs \$114,000 in order to finish the fiscal year and complete the fleet repairs required to start the vast number of programs that the Public Works Department performs in the spring.

Although the number of snowstorms this year was below average, several storms provided for very heavy snow and sometimes up to 5 inches of sleet. Our large truck fleet suffered extensive damage from moving this type of snow and ice, including sheared bell housings, broken front springs, broken power take-off units and hydraulic pumps. The fleet's snowplows and frames also took a beating and were under constant repairs or rebuilding. The other large contributing factor to our shortfall was the extensive bodywork that was performed on our police vehicles due to collisions. To date, we have spent almost \$40,000 on bodywork for police vehicles alone and over \$6,000 for police vehicle tires. Our operating budget was never funded to handle expenses of this magnitude.

Speaking of tires, the Equipment Maintenance Division has completely used up their inventory of tires due to the fact that tire prices have increased extensively, and allocated funds have only allowed us to purchase a portion of what we typically need for one year. In addition, one of the Public Works Department loaders needs tires which will cost almost \$8,000. Since our fleet and the police vehicles are operating in poor weather conditions, good tires are a critical safety item that must be closely monitored.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me.



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Mark D. Boughton via the Common Council
FROM: Dena R. Diorio, Director of Finance & Personnel *[Signature]*
DATE: March 27, 2007 **CERTIFICATION #8**

SUBJECT: Certification of Funds – Equipment Maintenance

Pursuant to the attached request from Public Works Director, Antonio Iadarola, I hereby certify the availability of \$114,000 to be transferred into the following line item:

3020.5507 – Equipment Maintenance/Maintain Automotive Equipment \$114,000

The appropriation will come from the City’s Contingency Account.

The status of the Contingency Account is as follows:

Budgeted Contingency:	\$400,000
Appropriations to Date:	\$141,400
Pending Requests:	(\$102,250)
This Request:	<u>(\$114,000)</u>
Balance in Contingency:	\$42,350

Thank you.

C: Antonio Iadarola