



2021 Budget Questions November 6

To: City Council
From: Mayor Gregerson and Department Directors
Date: November 6, 2020

Please find below information in response to questions raised by Councilmembers at the November 2 meeting and by email.

Vehicle License Fees

Council President Emery asked about uses for vehicle license fees. The Council can increase license fees up to \$20 without voter approval. Fees can be used for what was defined in the original formation of the Transportation Benefit District:

Costs of the following transportation improvement projects identified in the City of Mukilteo Transportation Improvement Program: preservation of City streets, the construction and maintenance of sidewalks, trails and other pedestrian facilities, and safety and mobility improvements for bicyclists

Most of those items are covered by REET funds right now. We might be able to identify some Streets Fund (which is General Fund-supported) activities that could fit this definition.

Data from the 2016 Wise Investments in Transportation Taskforce and Transportation Benefit District formation process showed that \$5 would result in \$133,750. A reasonable growth factor might result in \$145,000 in 2021. A \$20 fee would generate \$580,000.

Surface Water Dump Truck

Councilmembers Champion and Marine asked if there was a way to get a cheaper price for the dump truck.

The dump truck is compiled of two main components and quotes, 1) the Truck Chassis and 2) the Dump Body (which includes the sanding system, etc.). These quotes come from the competitively bid state purchasing contract.

The quotes we have presented are broken down as:

1)	Truck Chassis:	\$156,841
2)	Dump Body:	\$122,536
	Subtotal:	\$279,377
	Contingency, Approx. 10%:	\$30,623
	Total:	\$310,000

The NBI is rounded up to \$310,000 to include a 10% contingency in case there are slight variations from the quotes between now and when the order is placed.

The Dump Body quote does not have any elements that can be modified, so that price of \$122,536 is set. The Truck Chassis quote is for a Kenworth truck. International or Peterbilt are options for other chassis quotes. Staff does have a request out for those for comparison, but we do not know if they will be any different and would need to weigh long term reliability of the other models against what the City has selected.