

Item Title: Resolution Approving the Sale of Governmental Property to the Town of Cary

Specific Action Requested:

That the Board of Commissioners authorizes the County to transfer a surplus vehicle, pursuant to § N.C.G.S. 160A-274, to the Town of Cary.

Item Summary:

Purpose: The Board of Commissioners must approve all transfers of county personal property between governmental units.

Background: In 1999, Wake County Fire Services purchased a vehicle and outfitted it to serve as a support vehicle to aid in investigations of large complex fires. It has not been frequently used and in its twenty years of service has accumulated 16,537 miles. The vehicle has not been used in the last four years. This vehicle is not on the county's vehicle replacement schedule. The Town of Cary has expressed interest in acquiring this vehicle to support their new fire investigation program. Wake County Fire Services will continue to provide all current fire investigation services.

Board Goal: This action supports standard County operations and does not relate to a specific Board initiative.

Fiscal Impact: There is no fiscal impact from this resolution.

Additional Information:

Fire Service's Mobile Fire Investigations Unit (MFIU) is currently twenty years old and has not been used to investigate a major fire incident in the last four years. There are, however, ongoing expenses required to maintain operational readiness, which include the manpower required to perform weekly apparatus checks. Wake County's Surplus Property Procedure outlines the procedures for declaring county property as surplus. In accordance with county policy, Fire Services has received the approval of Wake County's Fleet Director, Finance Director and the County's Manager's office for declaring this vehicle as surplus. It has been estimated that the surplus value of the vehicle is between \$15,000 and \$25,000.

The Town of Cary, which has recently begun their own fire investigations program, has expressed interest in obtaining this vehicle. The town would use the vehicle for a public safety purpose, within their fire investigations program, which would benefit Wake County residents. Upon transfer of the vehicle for \$1.00, Wake County would enter into a memorandum of understanding with the Town of Cary, whereas the town would provide the vehicle as support, to the county in the event of a major, complex fire within the unincorporated area. Additionally, the town has agreed to perform station alterations, at

the town's expense, to provide a needed shore-line electrical connection for Wake County's Comm-1 vehicle, which will be housed at Cary Fire Department's Station 1.



Attachments:

1. Resolution approving the sale of governmental Property Pursuant to N.C.G.S §160A-274
2. N.C.G.S §160A-274
3. Wake County Surplus Property Procedure