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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - Engineering Division

MEMO

TO: Members of the Finance Committee

FROM: Ross Buetow, Deputy Director of Public Works

SUBJECT: Request to sell retired Hamilton parking cash entry machines

DATE: January 2, 2014

The Department of Public Works is requesting permission to sell twelve (12) retired *HAMILTON* parking cash entry machines that were replaced with our current *MODERN* machines in 2008. The Hamilton machines were taken out of service due to many of their features becoming outdated or obsolete for the needs of the Parking Division and our customers.

We have recently received an unsolicited private offer to purchase the machines for \$100 each in an as-is condition. The prospective buyer has also offered to perform all of the necessary loading and transportation. The prospective buyer plans to use the machines and/or equipment parts to supplement similar equipment that they use at a chain of local car washes.

Due to the obsolescence of many of the features on these machines (i.e. 1999 technology, Susan B. Anthony dollar change only, cannot read current \$10 or \$20 bills), it is very unlikely that these would draw any interest through an eBay sale, which also involves administrative/transaction fees. The only other realistic option would be for the City to sell the machines for scrap value which we estimate to be \$50-\$75 each, plus the City labor involved in the scrapping process.

For these reasons we are hereby requesting permission to sell the 12 retired *HAMILTON* parking cash entry machines for the private offer of \$1200.00.

Thank you for your consideration.