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The City's current Vehicle Management System (VMS) is an old, out of date, mainframe-based system purchased in 1996 with underlying technology from the 1980's. General Services must currently rely on this antiquated system on a daily basis to track maintenance and repair of over 11,000 City vehicles and equipment, including public safety vehicles. Fleet managers from GSD, LAPD, LAFD, and the ITA all agree that an upgrade to the City's fleet management system is long overdue, as the City's needs far exceed the capabilities of the current system.

A replacement VMS is not only necessary for operational needs, but also could provide fiscal benefits by streamlining the vehicle parts ordering system, providing real-time data on fleet usage, and customizing reports to provide timely reports that meet the needs of fleet managers, floor supervisors, and policy makers. GSD's preliminary estimates are that investment in an upgrade to the City's current Vehicle Management System could generate cost savings that would cover the implementation costs within 36 months. While these anticipated benefits must be fully studied, it is evident that a thorough review of the City's current fleet management system, as well as the related fuel management and motor pool systems (including GPS-based solutions), is long overdue.

GSD has had preliminary discussions with the City's current vendor on options for upgrading the City's VMS, and has explored other options for implementing a modern, integrated vehicle and fuel maintenance system to help manage the City's fleet. At a time when City departments are pressed to do more with less because of fiscal constraints, it would be prudent for City departments to explore all options for a new or upgraded VMS at this time.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the General Services Department and the CAO, with the assistance of the LAPD, LAFD, and the ITA, to report to the Council with options for upgrading or replacing the City's current Vehicle Maintenance System and related fuel and motor management systems, with new techology that would improve efficiencies, reduce costs, and provide timely fleet- and fuel-usage reports for fleet managers, vehicle maintenance personnel, and policy makers. This report should provide a preliminary project plan, estimated implementation costs, and detail measurable financial and operational benefits should the City choose to proceed with the project.

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