



# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

## FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

### SELECT COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES 2024-2025

Ms Nicole Lawder MLA (Chair), Ms Suzanne Orr MLA (Deputy Chair),  
Miss Laura Nuttall MLA

### ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS

Asked by: Ms Nicole Lawder MLA

Addressed to: Minister for Fire and Emergency Services

Redirected to: N/a

Reference: Uncorrected Hansard Transcript [Page 84]

In relation to: Hybrid Electric Fire Truck – Breakdown of Expenditure

Hearing Date: 29 July 2024

QTON lodgement date: 30 July 2024

Answer Due Date: 2 August 2024

**THE CHAIR:** That is all right. The business case for the truck sought \$2.34 million in funding. How much have you spent to date in capital and expenses?

**Mr Phillips:** Can I bring up my chief financial officer Cherry Wang for the exact numbers.

**Ms Wang:** Good afternoon. My name is Cherry Wang, and I am the acting executive branch manager of finance in the Emergency Service Agency. I read and acknowledge the privilege statement. Based on my understanding, we have spent about \$1.6 million for the truck. However, if you need more detail, I am happy to provide a little bit more detail on notice.

**THE CHAIR:** So you can take on notice about the expenses.

**Ms Wang:** Yes.

Mick Gentleman MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

Firstly, I would like to clarify that the total project budget for the Electric Fire Truck is \$1.921 million, not \$2.34 million.

The total Electric Fire Truck project budget is broken down in the following table:

| Line Item                                                                                                   | Budget<br>(GST Exclusive) |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Acton Station Budget Initiative                                                                             | \$1,000,000               |
| Repurposed Savings from completed capital project – Boosting equipment for the ACT Emergency Service Agency | \$397,000                 |
| Zero Emission Government (ZEG) loan                                                                         | \$524,000                 |
| <b>Total Project Budget</b>                                                                                 | <b>\$1,921,000</b>        |

The total project expenditure is broken down as follows:

| Line Item                                                                        | Expenditure<br>(GST Exclusive) |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Electric Fire Truck (including import duty, training, and delivery) <sup>1</sup> | \$1,639,723                    |
| Fit Out/ Equipment                                                               | \$133,178                      |
| Project Costs                                                                    | \$44,950                       |
| <b>Total Project Expenditure</b>                                                 | <b>\$1,817,851</b>             |

The Electric Fire Truck project is now physically and financially completed with remaining budget/ saving of \$103,149.

Further, please note that Electric Fire Truck training provided to ACT Fire and Rescue staff will be considered as business as usual and covered within the ACT Emergency Services Agency's recurrent budget.

Approved for circulation to the Select Committee on Estimates 2024-2025

Signature:



Date: 2/8/2024

By the Minister for Fire and Emergency Services, Mick Gentleman MLA

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<sup>1</sup> Plug in Electric Fire Appliance cost is \$1.524 million (GST Exclusive).