

FLEET GROWTH

Project Overview:

Fleet for The City of Red Deer refers to all the vehicles and attachments used to deliver operational services throughout the city.

Our fleet is comprised of over 700 units, including graders, pickup trucks, ambulances, lawn mowers, buses, action buses, skid steers, trailers, Zambonis, and sanders.



Highlights:

- In 2023, the Fleet Growth Budget includes seven ambulances, at a cost of \$2,450,000, making up the majority of the fleet growth for 2023.
- Our 2023 Fleet Replacement Multi-Year budget is \$3,529,000. Our large fleet items (graders, excavators, etc.) go into the multi-year budget request, which allows us the flexibility to lock into purchase prices early, utilize an RFP process to procure the units and give us time to order and receive the units.
- Fleet growth requests go through a robust, internal process which includes exploration of deferral of units, the possibility of leasing a unit, and subsequent approval from the department manager.
- Fleet growth units emerge in response to increased service levels, a change in service or contractual obligations. Sometimes, when we replace an existing unit with a new, technologically improved unit that allows us to do the same job quicker or more efficiently, that is captured as a growth unit, as it is new to our fleet.

Budget details:

The funding source for fleet replacement units comes from the Fleet Replacement Reserve; we collect funds over the life cycle of these units to support the purchase of their replacement.