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City of Kingston to purchase new ladder truck

(*Kingston, N.Y.*) Mayor Steve Noble is pleased to announce the selection of a 105' Tractor Drawn Aerial Ladder Truck, manufactured by Smeal and sold by New England Fire Equipment and Apparatus, to be purchased for the Kingston Fire Department. This purchase is being conducted through National Joint Powers Alliance (<http://www.njpacoop.org/cooperative-purchasing/>)

“Through the passage and implementation of the Best Value local law in May 2016, the City of Kingston was able to utilize purchasing cooperatives as a new tool in purchasing commodities for the City,” said Mayor Noble. “This purchasing cooperative assisted us in securing a tractor drawn tiller, the model most recommended by members of the Kingston Fire Department and Kingston Professional Firefighters Association, for at least \$150,000 less than originally quoted.” The purchase price is expected to be \$949,918.

The construction of the truck will take approximately 300 days. If in the event the Fire Department requires access to a truck sooner, a loaner aerial ladder truck will be made available to the City, free of charge.

“Our current ladder truck is no longer reliable and is costing us money to maintain,” said Fire Chief Mark Brown. “I want to thank the Mayor, the Common Council and our community for supporting the department to purchase this essential equipment.”

Additional information regarding the ladder truck model can be found here:
<http://www.smeal.com/fire-trucks/100-105-tractor-drawn-aerial/>

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