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FLEET SAVINGS THROUGH REDUCING RENTALS

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DCAS offers a wide variety of vehicle and equipment rental contracts for use by agencies. These contracts are most effective when used for short term projects, emergency needs, or through car share.

In some cases there has been longer term reliance on rentals and leases which can be costly. For example, the cost to rent a pickup truck for 2 years is the same as to procure the unit straight up. Our City owned pickups generally last ten or more years.

Over the last five years, DCAS has worked with various agencies including Parks, DEP, DOC, and DOT to in-house rental and lease arrangements and reduce costs. Over 600 long term rentals or leases have now been approved for in-house replacement or already implemented. When fully rolled out, these efforts will eliminate over \$12 million in annual rental and lease costs with millions in savings.

Additional reduction of rentals is one of the strategies that fleet is employing citywide as part of the fleet savings initiative which OMB announced in November 2016. We can achieve these reductions both through increasing inter-agency sharing and transfers of units, and by improving capital replacement schedules for in-house equipment.

We will discuss the savings initiative more in future newsletters as we work to reduce costs while also improving fleet operations.

Annualized Costs to Rent Sample Work Vehicles	
Crew Cab Pickup	\$22,048
Tractor	\$66,456
Sweeper	\$93,340

FLEET SPOTLIGHT: PHYLLIS DELISIO OF PROBATION

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For our final fleet spotlight of Women’s History Month 2017, we have Phyllis DeLisio of the Department of Probation (DOP). Phyllis is Facilities and Fleet Administrator and Assistant to the DOP Commissioner, and has been with DOP since 2001. DOP works with people on probation and expands opportunities for them to move out of the criminal and juvenile justice systems through meaningful education, employment, health services, family engagement, and civic participation.

The DOP mission requires approximately 80 vehicles and 20 facilities in the five boroughs. Among the core uses for fleet units, officers check in on clients at places of employment, schools, or at homes citywide. At times, officers must track down clients after failure to report or truancy. Phyllis helped to oversee the fleet’s changeover to alternative fuel in the last few years. All but three fleet units are hybrid or plug-in hybrid models including the Prius, Altima, Camry, or Ford Fusion. Phyllis manages fleet fueling, maintenance, Vision Zero initiatives, and reporting in partnership with DCAS. She is also Diversity and EEO Officer and Disability Rights Manager at DOP.



Phyllis joined City service in 1985 at FISA, where she was HR Benefits Coordinator. She assisted staff in registering for and managing pension, medical, educational, and other benefits. Phyllis next worked at DOB for 12 years as a Personnel Analyst, and then in Operations, where she helped manage the office, facilities, and the inspection programs for boilers, elevators, and other systems. She picked up fleet duties after joining DOP.

Phyllis is an animal rights activist and cares for dogs as an NYC Animal Care volunteer. She is a leader of her church, which also advocates for animals. Born and raised in Brooklyn, she attended Hunter College and currently lives in Staten Island with her husband of 25 years, son, and twin grandchildren. Thank you for 32 years of dedicated City service.