

City of Fayetteville Staff Review Form

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Mike Reynolds

9/28/2021

POLICE (200)

Submitted By

Submitted Date

Division / Department

Action Recommendation:

Approve an ordinance waiving the requirement of competitive bidding for the purchase of used vehicles for the Police Department unmarked unit program, allowing the existing units to be used for trade-in values for replacement units, and authorize the Mayor to execute the purchase of used unmarked units in an amount up to \$35,000.

Budget Impact:

4470.200.8200-5802.00

Sales Tax Capital Improvement

Account Number

Fund

06003.01

Police Unmarked Vehicle Replacement

Project Number

Project Title

Budgeted Item? Yes

Current Budget \$ 153,668.00

Funds Obligated \$ 63,992.36

Current Balance \$ **89,675.64**

Does item have a cost? Yes

Item Cost \$ -

Budget Adjustment Attached? No

Budget Adjustment \$ -

Remaining Budget \$ **89,675.64**

Purchase Order Number: _____

Previous Ordinance or Resolution # 6083 V20210527

Change Order Number: _____

Approval Date: _____

Original Contract Number: _____

Comments:



MEETING OF OCTOBER 19, 2021

TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: Mike Reynolds, Chief of Police
DATE: September 28, 2021
SUBJECT: Bid Waiver for Unmarked Police Vehicles

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Reynolds".

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of an ordinance waiving the requirements of competitive bidding for the purchase of prior-owned vehicles for the Police Department unmarked vehicle program, allow the existing unmarked units to be used as trade-in value for the replacement vehicles, and authorize the Mayor to execute the purchase of the unmarked prior-owned vehicles in an amount up to \$35,000.

BACKGROUND:

The Police Department maintains a fleet of prior-owned unmarked vehicles for use by our plain clothes officers. These used vehicles are critical components of our criminal investigation, administration, training, and community policing divisions. These vehicles are periodically replaced based on age, odometer readings, and maintenance costs in an effort to keep operational costs to a minimum.

DISCUSSION:

The current bid waiver in place has a maximum amount of \$30,000. Due to the decreased inventory of prior owned vehicles, current supply chain issues, market demand, and inflation, it is difficult to locate suitable vehicles within this price point. By increasing the threshold to \$35,000, this would allow the City to locate and purchase these vehicles quickly, with minimal disruption to department operations.

BUDGET/STAFF IMPACT:

Funds will be spent within the current Police Unmarked Vehicle Replacement project. Staffing will not be affected.

Attachments:

Ordinance 6083, Police Department Non-Motor Pool Program



113 West Mountain Street
Fayetteville, AR 72701
(479) 575-8323

Ordinance: 6083

File Number: 2018-0402

POLICE DEPARTMENT NON-MOTORPOOL PROGRAM:

AN ORDINANCE TO WAIVE THE REQUIREMENTS OF FORMAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF VEHICLES FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S NON-MOTORPOOL PROGRAM IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000.00 PER VEHICLE, AND TO ALLOW THE EXISTING NON-MOTORPOOL VEHICLES TO BE SOLD FOR TRADE-IN VALUE TOWARD REPLACEMENTS

WHEREAS, on January 18, 2011, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 5381 waiving the requirements of formal competitive bidding and authorizing Mayor Jordan to purchase vehicles for the Police Department's unmarked unit program in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 per vehicle; and

WHEREAS, this important program has been in place for more than three decades and is a critical component of criminal investigative operations and administrative functions; and

WHEREAS, it is becoming increasingly difficult to find appropriate vehicles with the existing cost restriction of \$25,000.00 per vehicle.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE, ARKANSAS:

Section 1: That the City Council of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas hereby determines that the facts shown above establish that an exceptional situation exists in which competitive bidding is not feasible or practical and therefore waives the requirements of formal competitive bidding and authorizes the purchase of vehicles for the Police Department's Non-Motorpool Program in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00, and further allows the existing non-motorpool vehicles to be sold for trade-in value for replacement vehicles.