**TO:** Mr. Jim Scholl, City Manager

**FROM:** Donald J. Lee, Jr., Chief of Police

**DATE:** March 23, 2017

**RE:** Authorize the purchase of (4) Harley Davidson Police Road King motorcycles from

Alligator Alley Harley Davidson of Sunrise in the amount of \$77,398.20.

#### **Action Statement:**

This resolution authorizes the Key West Police Department to purchase four (4) 2017 Harley Davidson Police Road King motorcycles from Alligator Alley Harley Davidson for \$19,349.55 each for a total of \$77,398.20. This purchase is made pursuant to ordinance 2-797(4)(b) and 2-844(a)(b).

## **Background:**

The Key West Police Department utilizes five (5) Harley Davidson Police Road King motorcycles for the traffic unit to meet the various duties and responsibilities that are required of that unit. With the increasing demands for traffic related operations in the city, the traffic unit is expanding by adding another officer and motorcycle to the current fleet to bring the total to six. Harley's have been in use by the department for over 20 years and continue to meet/exceed the traffic unit's requirements for performance and dependability. Currently three (3) of these motorcycles are leased and two (2) are department owned. The department is returning the three leased motorcycles in May and are purchasing four. Three to replace the leased motors and one for the additional motor officer.

There are only two (2) Harley Davidson dealerships within a practical distance of Key West for the purchase and maintenance of KWPD motorcycles. Both dealers, Peterson's in Miami and Alligator Alley Harley Davidson in Sunrise are full service factory authorized dealers for sales, warranty work and employ Harley Davidson certified service technicians.





Prices as per attached quotes:

Alligator Alley Harley Davidson \$19,349.55 ea.

Peterson's Harley Davidson \$20,660.00 ea.

## **Purpose and Justification:**

A majority of respondents in the 2015 City of Key West citizen survey identified traffic related issues as a major concern and favored more enforcement. The duties and functions of the Key West Police Traffic Unit include, but are not limited to parade escorts, dignitary escorts, special event participation, and daily traffic enforcement operations. Police motorcycles are critical in meeting the expanding mission requirements of the traffic unit and the department. Utilizing a motorcycle for traffic enforcement is more efficient and safe for the officer than a vehicle having to turn around in traffic.

## **Option:**

Option one is to purchase four (4) new 2017 Harley Davidson Police Road King motorcycles from Alligator Alley Harley Davidson of Sunrise.

Option two is to return our three (3) department leased motorcycles in May and lease three (4) new 2017 Harley Davidson Police Road King motorcycles.

# **Financial Impact:**

Funding for these motorcycles is contained in the FY16/17 Police Department budget in account #101-2101-521-6400, Machinery and Equipment. This account also contains funding for the purchase of a van for department use. The department intends to use these funds to purchase the fourth motorcycle in lieu of purchasing the van.

#### **Recommendation:**

The Key West Police Department recommends returning (3) 2015 department leased motorcycles and purchasing four (4) 2017 Harley Davidson Police Road Kings from Alligator Alley Harley Davidson of Sunrise.



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