

Donald J. Lee, Jr.

Chief of Police



Key West

POLICE DEPARTMENT

TO: Mr. Jim Scholl, City Manager

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

DATE: January 23rd, 2018

RE: Authorize the purchase of (2) 2018 Chevrolet Tahoe Police K-9 specialty vehicles from Niles Chevrolet for a total of \$81,500.50. (40,750.25 ea.).

Action Statement:

This resolution authorizes the purchase of two (2) 2018 Chevrolet Tahoe Police K-9 Specialty Vehicles for \$81,500.50 (\$40,750.25 ea.) from Niles Chevrolet, the local dealer whose bid matched the 2017/19 Florida State Contract bid # 25100000-18-1, Motor Vehicles submitted by Garber Fleet Sales. This purchase is authorized through City Ordinance Sec 2-797(4)(b), Best Interest of the City.

Background:

These two (2) vehicles will be used and equipped specifically for K-9 duties and narcotic operations. Both vehicle will be marked and assigned to the Patrol Division K-9 Officers. The current vehicles in use, two 2011 Chevrolet Tahoe's have met the demands and expectations of the KWPD K-9 Unit but have met their expected service life and need replacement.

The Office of Law Enforcement Standards (OLES) and the National Institute of Standards and Technology develop equipment standards based on laboratory evaluation of commercially available products. Police vehicles are part of the equipment tested annually by the State of Michigan Department of State Police. A comprehensive evaluation is completed on the vehicles that meet the standards established by OLES and the 2018 Chevy Tahoe has met these standards.

Based upon the above data and evaluation, standard equipment, 5 star NHTSA frontal crash test rating, fail safe cooling systems, mission specific build, dealer relationship, city maintenance history and manufacturers commitment to law enforcement, the Fleet Services Division of the City of Key West recommends the Chevy Tahoe Police K-9 vehicle. The Tahoe is also E85 flex-fuel compliant.

City of Key West code section 2-797(3)(b) requires the verification that the items to be procured are not available locally. In this case, such vehicles are available and Niles Chevrolet has elected to match the prices published in the 2017/19 Florida State Contract bid # 25100000-18-1, Motor Vehicles.



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Niles Chevrolet Quote:
\$40,750.25

Garber State Contract Quote:
\$40,750.25

Alan Jay NJPA Contract Quote:
\$41,957.89

Purpose and Justification:

The vehicles described are necessary to maintain proper function of essential K-9 duties of the police department.

Vehicle specifications and cost are as follows:

(2) Chevrolet Tahoe Police Package, 5.3L ECOTEC3 Flex fuel engine, automatic, white, power windows and locks, remote keyless entry, side assist steps, vent shades, anti-theft system, dome light, American Aluminum Brand K-9 container, hot and pop pro remote door opener controller, No K-9 left behind alarm, carbon monoxide detector, cool fan and heat alarm, Whelen premium unmarked package with Whelen CENCOM controller, Whelen vertex corner LED's, Whelen grill LED's, Whelen siren, speaker and bracket, Havis center console with: three bank DC outlet, cupholders, armrest, faceplates for controller, radio, monotone paint.

Financial Impact:

Funds for the purchase of these vehicles is included in the FY 2017/18 Police Department budget in line item 101-2101-521-6400.

Recommendation:

The Police Department recommends the purchase of these two (2) Vehicles from Niles Chevrolet and believes it is in the best interest of the city to do so.



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