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POLICE DEPARTMENT

TO: Mr. Jim Scholl, City Manager
FROM: Donald J. Lee Jr., Chief of Police
DATE: January 4, 2016
RE: Authorize the purchase of 3 Traffic/DUI Police Vehicles from Don Reid Ford Fleet Sales for a total cost of \$92,217.00

Action Statement:

Authorize the purchase of 3 2016 Ford Police Interceptor Sedans at a unit/vehicle cost of \$30,739 (\$92,217.00 total) pursuant to Florida Sheriff's Bid Award 15-23-0904. This purchase is made pursuant to City Ordinance Section 2-797(3).

Background:

The Key West Police Department is budgeted this fiscal year (FY15/16) to purchase a total of 15 Police Interceptor Sedans. Twelve of these vehicles were purchased previously pursuant to and authorized by resolution 15-316. The three remaining Ford Interceptor Police Sedans are designed and equipped to be used specifically for traffic and DUI enforcement duties. These Police specific vehicles are replacing 2009 Ford Crown Victoria's. The Police Department is committed to the City's sustainability goals and plans to integrate hybrid vehicles for civilian uses.

The base vehicles, and the accessories included in the bids, are bid at or below the respective State and Sheriff Association contracts. In addition to the base vehicle, several specific and identical items were added to quotes for dealer installation. The additional cost for the dealer installed equipment ranged in price from \$6,919.00 to \$7,485.00.

The lowest quote received for these identically equipped Interceptor sedans was from Don Reid Ford utilizing the Florida Sheriff's Association Vehicle Purchasing Contract #15-23-0904. It would be in the best interest of the City to purchase these vehicles as quoted. No additional savings would be seen by a formal bidding process.

Police Traffic Sedan:

Don Reid-Sheriff's Quote
*\$30,739.00

Don Reid- State Contract Quote
\$31,204.00

Duval Ford Sheriff's Quote
\$30,979.00



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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. The 2016 Police Ford Interceptor Sedan meets the OLES standards.

As in previous fiscal years the use of the Ford Police Interceptor Sedan package has proven to be reliable and mechanically equal to the older Crown Victoria's still in use by the department. The 2016 Interceptor Sedan is now a proven platform in use by the department that was designed to replace the existing Crown Victoria's. As with the Crown Victoria, this vehicle is designed specifically to meet the needs of police road patrol duties and is expected to perform well in all categories.

Based upon the above data and evaluation, standard equipment, 5 star NHSTA frontal crash test rating, fail safe cooling systems, electrical and ergonomic improvements to the platform, dealer relationship, city maintenance history on the current Interceptors in use, and the manufacturers commitment to Law Enforcement, the Fleet Services Division of the City of Key West recommends the 2016 Ford Police Interceptor AWD Sedan.

Purpose and Justification:

The vehicles described are necessary to enhance the Traffic/DUI function of the Police Department. These vehicles are replacing 2009 Crown Victoria's and 2006 Ford Explorers that have surpassed their useful service life as police vehicles.

Vehicle Specifications (see attached) and cost are as follows: (3) 2016 Patrol Ford Police Interceptor AWD Sedans, \$30,739.00 per vehicle.

Options:

One option is to purchase the vehicles from Don Reid Ford Fleet Sales, via the Florida Sheriff's Contract #15-23-0904 in compliance with city ordinance 2-797(3). This option would allow for the City of Key West to purchase the needed vehicles according to the exact specifications required and at the lowest cost to the City of Key West. The purchase of these vehicles provides important tools for the investigation and enforcement of traffic and DUI infractions, public safety, worker efficiency and delivery of professional police service to the community. The local Ford Dealer, Duncan Ford declined to offer a bid for these vehicles.

Another option is to forgo the purchase of the vehicles. This would result in an increasing lack of functionality from using seven and nine year old vehicles, as well as increased public safety risks and increased cost to maintain a fleet past its useful service life.



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Financial Impact:

The purchase of these vehicles is budgeted in the Police Department's FY15/16 budget in account #101-2101-521-6400.

Recommendation:

The Key West Police Department recommends the purchase of these vehicles and believes it is in the best interest of the City of Key West to do so.



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