

## Key West

# POLICE DEPARTMENT

TO: Mr. Jim Scholl, City Manager

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

**DATE:** March 26, 2018

**RE:** Authorize the purchase of 1 Shadow 4 horse Gooseneck Trailer for the Mounted Unit

from Mounted Unit Donation Account 001-2101-521-6400/GF21011701

#### **Action Statement:**

Authorize the purchase of 1 Shadow 4 horse gooseneck trailer for the Mounted Unit at a cost of \$37,986.50 from Shadow Trailer World. This purchase is made pursuant to City Ordinance Section 2-797(4)(b) and the funds shall be dispersed from the Mounted Unit Donation Account 001-2101-521-6400/GF21011701.

### **Purpose and Justification:**

The Key West Police Department Mounted Unit's trailer is approaching 30 years old and needs to be replaced. The replacement trailer will be paid for out of a donation account that is specifically for the needs of the Mounted Unit.

In the quest to find an acceptable replacement for the current horse trailer, we contacted our partners at the Orange County Sheriff's Office Mounted Unit. Orange County SO recommended Shadow trailers and have found Shadow Trailers to be reliable and meet the needs of a Police Mounted Unit.

Though all three horse trailers are not identical, all three trailers are Gooseneck Trailers that can accommodate up to 4 horses and include similar tack rooms. All three trailers are made from similar materials and we would expect similar performance and lifespans out of all three.

Based on our research, we feel that Shadow Trailers are a viable trailer option for our Mounted Unit. The Shadow trailer is the lowest priced, and the price is fair and reasonable.



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The trailer's model number is 69270S-4SL-GN-E-LC (2018).

The following quotes were received:

Shadow Trailer World Gator Horse Trailers Nelson's Trailers \$37,986.50 \$49,350.00 \$49,900.00

### **Financial Impact:**

This trailer will be paid for out of the Mounted Unit's Donation account.

#### **Recommendation:**

The Key West Police Department recommends the purchase of the trailer.



