

City Council – Action Request Form

Date: August 10, 2020

To: Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore and Members of the City Council

From: Tasha Logan Ford, Assistant City Manager
 Catrina Thompson, Chief of Police
 Jerry Bates, Purchasing Director

Council Action Requested:
 Resolution Awarding Purchase Order for Police Pursuit Vehicles

Strategic Focus Area: Service Excellence
Strategic Objective: Ensure Service Delivery Efficiency and Effectiveness
Strategic Plan Action Item: No
Key Work Item: No



Summary of Information:
 The Winston-Salem Police Department (WSPD) has the need to purchase 62 police pursuit vehicles, intended as scheduled replacements for vehicles with high mileage, excessive maintenance and repair costs, and meet Fleet Services replacement criteria. See Exhibit A for complete vehicle replacement information.

On May 18, 2019, the North Carolina Sheriff’s Association, a cooperative purchasing group, awarded competitive bid contract #19-05-0911R per bid specifications #89 to Asheville Ford, LLC for the Ford Interceptor SUV. Asheville Ford, LLC has offered quotation #0507202001 for a quantity of 62 Ford Interceptor SUV pursuit vehicles that meets specifications required by the City in the amount of \$32,946.30 each for a total cost of \$2,042,670.60.

N.C.G.S. 143-129(e)(3) authorizes “purchases made through a competitive bidding group purchasing program, which is a formally organized program that offers competitively obtained purchasing products and services at discount prices to two or more public agencies.”

It is recommended that a purchase order be awarded to Asheville Ford, LLC for the purchase of 62 Ford Interceptor SUV pursuit vehicles that meets specifications required by the City in the amount of \$32,946.30 each for a total cost of \$2,042,670.60.

Attached to this CARF is a Police Patrol Vehicle Memo detailing life cycle costs and other considerations for switching the primary patrol vehicle platform from a sedan (Dodge Charger) to an SUV (Ford Interceptor SUV). The recommendation to purchase the Ford Interceptor SUV is endorsed by the Police Department and Fleet Services.

Committee Action:			
Committee	Finance 8/10/2020 Public Safety 8/10/2020	Action	Approval
For	Unanimous	Against	
Remarks:			

The purchase will be financed through the North Carolina Municipal Leasing Corporation. Funding for the lease payments is available in the General Fund FY 2020-21 budget.

Workforce Demographics: See Exhibit A workforce demographics for Asheville Ford.