

City Council Staff Report

DATE:

April 15, 2009

CONSENT CALENDAR

SUBJECT:

APPROVE PURCHASE OF 2 NEW FORD CROWN VICTORIA

POLICE VEHICLES FOR USE BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

FROM:

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BY:

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SUMMARY

This action would award the purchase of two (2) new Crown Victoria 2009 Police Interceptor Vehicles for use by the Police Department. These vehicles are additions to the City fleet and are being purchased with SDF funds.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the cooperative purchase of two (2) new 2009 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptors in the amount of \$24,086 each, for a total purchase amount of \$48,172 from Wondries Ford of Alhambra, California.

STAFF ANALYSIS:

The new units in this report meet established criteria for police vehicles. In keeping with the City of Palm Springs established commitment to improving air quality in the Coachella Valley, all fleet purchases are evaluated for their operational suitability to the use of alternative fuels. On December 3, 2008 Council approved the purchase of one CNG Police Interceptor vehicle under the condition it will be evaluated and analyzed for performance. This vehicle has been received and is currently being outfitted. Therefore, since the CNG vehicle is not yet in the fleet and in order to make use of the SDF funding at this time, this purchase is proposed for gasoline powered vehicles.

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Section 7.09.010 of the Municipal Code provides that the City Council may authorize the acquisition of supplies, equipment or services through a joint powers or other cooperative purchasing program with a public entity or association of public agencies. The County of Los Angeles recently awarded a purchase contract to Wondries Ford to acquire Ford Crown Victoria Police vehicles. Pursuant to the requirements of Section 7.09.010, the Procurement Manager has determined that utilization of Los Angeles County's purchase contract (DPO-FR-36501761-1) for the vehicles is acceptable and will adequately protect the public interest in that the total cost of the equipment is likely to be less than could be obtained through an independent City competitive process. The lead time for delivery is approximately 1 week from receipt of the purchase order.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funds for the purchase of these two police cars were appropriated from a grant of the Special Distribution Fund (S.D.F) and are paid through the Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Committee (C.B.C). The funds are in expenditure account number 122-3025-50020. This Nexus Grant pays the entire cost of the police cars. This grant must be fully expended by June 30, 2009 and it covers the cost of the vehicles and emergency equipment.

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