



CITY OF WASHINGTON, ILLINOIS

Public Safety Committee Agenda Communication

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Agenda Item: Pool Vehicle Replacement – Purchase Authorization

Explanation: The Department uses a pool vehicle for transportation that does not require full police markings or equipment, such as for training, moving evidence for analysis or storage, or investigations use.

The pool vehicle was damaged in a collision and the City received an insurance payment of \$20,450 for its replacement. Additionally, the City accumulates funding in the MERF for this vehicle. To date, that total amount held for replacement of the vehicle is \$24,098. We expect that unused funding will stay in MERF, credited to that vehicle and reducing our annual contribution for replacement funding, or, will be applied toward squad car costs in the current year.

For replacement, the Department sought bids from area dealers for vehicles that met our criteria. To illustrate our criteria, we identified examples of dealer stock (from online listings). Since that time, we have eliminated vehicles that are no longer available. We have identified nearly identical vehicles at three locations that will serve our purpose, assuming a pending satisfactory in-person inspection. The prices below are listed as received from dealers. All have a 36,000-mile warranty.

One vehicle outside of Tazewell County with just over 39,000 miles is \$17,890 plus license, title, and documentation fees.

One vehicle in Tazewell County with just over 28,000 miles is \$18,693 plus license, title, and documentation fees.

One vehicle in Washington with over 30,000 miles is \$19,214 complete. We note that license and title alone is \$326.

One vehicle in Tazewell County (but at a dealer affiliated with a Washington business) with just over 23,000 miles is 22,350 complete.

Fiscal Impact: Funding up to \$24,098 is a combination of accrued funds designated for the replacement of this vehicle and an insurance payment for the replacement of this vehicle. We expect to spend less than the accrued amount.

Action Requested: Authorization by the City Council to proceed with the purchase, not to exceed \$22,350, of a vehicle to replace the pool vehicle destroyed in a collision. If the listed vehicles are still available, we will, subject to an acceptable in-person inspection, purchase the vehicle identified by Council as the top choice. We request that Council approve a purchase not to exceed the listed amount in the event we must move to another choice.