



LEGISLATIVE MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Suzanne Sherman, City Manager

THRU: Richard E. Stover, Fire Chief

DATE: May 2, 2024

RE: Consideration of purchasing four (4) Fire Rescue vehicles utilizing the expedited quoting process.

SUMMARY:

The Fire Rescue Department was previously approved by City Council to purchase four (4) vehicles. The vehicles that are required to provide Fire Rescue and Emergency Services consist of four (4) Command Staff SUVs at \$101,000 each, which includes radio, emergency lighting, equipment and lettering requirements, totaling \$404,000. Three (3) of these vehicles will replace order vehicles and one (1) is brand new. At the April 18, 2024 Regular Council Meeting, Council authorized the funding for the purchase of these vehicles.

The Fire Rescue Department, and Public Works (Fleet), alongside of Procurement, have been unable to locate readily accessible vehicles through the formal Piggyback Contract procedures. It is being requested that the expedited quoting process be utilized to purchase the four (4) Command Staff SUVs.

On behalf of Fire Rescue and Public Works (Fleet), Procurement requested quotes from approximately 207 vendors through the expedited quote requests. The quote request required the vendors to reply within six (6) days.

Through the expedited quote process, Procurement received eight (8) quotes from six (6) vendors in the state of Florida including Gilbert Chevrolet, Nimnicht Chevrolet, AutoNation Coral Gables, AutoNation West Colonial and Vann Gannaway Chevrolet. Nimnicht Chevrolet, AutoNation Coral Gables, and Vann Gannaway Chevrolet have agreed to hold the vehicles pending Council approval.

REQUESTING DEPARTMENTS:

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FISCAL IMPACT:

Total funding in the amount of \$759,440 was previously approved to be transferred to the Fire Rescue Department at the April 18, 2024, RCM for six vehicles. Total Cost for these four (4) Fire Rescue vehicles is \$404,000.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Motion to approve the Fire Department's request to purchase four (4) Fire Rescue Vehicles through the informal quoting procedure.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Vehicle Quotes.