



Administrative Services Committee

Meeting Date:

2026 – EMA – Ford Explorer

Department:	Central Services Department – Fleet Management
Presenter:	Horace Green
Caption:	Motion to approve the purchase of one Ford Explorer at a total cost of \$47,502.00 for the Richmond County Emergency Management Agency utilizing the GA Statewide Contract.
Background:	The Richmond County Emergency Management Agency has requested the purchase of one 2026 Ford Explorer to be used to facilitate emergency preparedness, disaster response, incident coordination, and recovery operations. The vehicle also supports routine preparedness activities, training exercises, site inspections, meetings, and community outreach to ensure operational readiness. Fleet Management requested approval from the Procurement department to issue a LOIs to place the order until the Augusta Commission has approved the purchase. Once approval is obtained, Fleet Management will acquire the purchase order and submit it to the vendor to secure the asset purchase.
Analysis:	The Procurement Department approved the purchase of a 2026 Ford Explorer from Akins Dodge Ford via letter of intent to purchase. The upfitting was sent via request to quote to various vendors and the lowest compliant vendor was West Warning Equipment Sales and Services.
Financial Impact:	(1) 2026 Ford Explorer Durango Pursuit - \$42,170.00 – Akins Dodge Ford EMA Decals - \$113.00 – AKO Signs EMA Upfitting Emergency Package - \$5,219.00 – West Warning Equipment Sales and Services
Alternatives:	(1) Approve (2) Do not approve
Recommendation:	Motion to approve the purchase of one Ford Explorer at a total cost of \$47,502.00 for the Richmond County Emergency Management Agency.
Funds are available in the following accounts:	\$47,502.00: SPLOST VII Account #329-03-1130/216-03-6001/54.22110