TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: Police Chief Brian Sandell

DATE: February 15, 2024

MEETING DATE: March 4, 2024

Agenda Item: Purchase of 2024 Polaris Ranger Four-Door

Background: Our current Polaris Ranger is a 2011, which has been used primarily as a rescue vehicle at crash scenes in areas inaccessible by squad cars. It is equipped with tracks for accessing snowmobile trails and unplowed areas during the winter months. The 2011 Ranger does not have climate control and gets very warm during the summer months as the engine is mounted behind the seats.

With the request for golf cart patrol and disc golf course patrol, a new Ranger with a full HVAC system is needed. The four-door option also gives us the ability to transport additional first responders and equipment.

A quote was obtained from the Power Lodge at a cost of \$33,799.00. With the addition of tracks, lights, siren, graphics, box insert, stokes basket, and rigging the total cost is \$49,382.77.

Requested Action: Approve the purchase of a 2024 Polaris Ranger with tracks. The city received \$116,770.53 from MN 2023 Public Safety Aid. I recommend using this funding to make the purchase.

I also recommend the transfer of the 2011 Ranger to Public Works for continued city use.

