

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Ford Transit 350 HD Van with EVI Conversion for Fire and EMS – H-GACBuy Cooperative Contract Purchase
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the purchase of one (1) 2025 Ford Transit 350HD Van with EVI Van Conversion from Emergency Vehicles, Inc. (Lake Park, FL) for Fire & EMS, in the amount of \$122,444.00. The purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via H-GACBuy Contract #FS12-23.

The Fire & EMS Department will use the Van for the Mobile Integrated Healthcare Program to visit patients, as needed, and assist them with health care needs.

This purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Request for Proposal (RFP) #FS12-23, initiated by H-GACBuy, whereby Emergency Vehicles, Inc. was one of the successful vendors contracted to provide Fire Apparatus and Related Vehicles. The effective date of the contract began December 1, 2023 and will expire on November 20, 2027. The contract available under H-GACBUY has been awarded by virtue of a public competitive procurement process compliant with State and Federal statutes. The Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) is the largest of 24 Councils of Government (COG) in Texas and is a political subdivision of the State of Texas. It has been serving local governments for more than 40 years. H-GAC's Cooperative Purchasing Program, known as HGACBuy, was established pursuant to Texas Interlocal Cooperation Act [Texas Local Government Code, Title 7, Chapter 791]. The Act allows local governments and certain non-profits to contract or agree under the terms of the Act to make purchases or provide purchasing services and other administrative functions appropriately established by another government entity. The Interlocal Contract (ILC) is the required legal document that establishes a link between the Member (local governments and certain non-profits) and HGACBuy, and gives the Member access to HGACBuy contracts. H-GAC has established Interlocal Contracts with thousands of Members throughout Texas and across the United States. Products and services are contracted after having been subjected to either a competitive bid (IFB) or competitive proposal (RFP) process. The RFP process utilized by HGACBuy meets the requirements of the City's Procurement Ordinance; additionally, cooperative purchasing is authorized per Section 3-118 of the Procurement Ordinance.

Funds are available in the FY25 Budget as follows: American Rescue Plan-Fiscal Recovery Funds – Federal ARP – Federal Public Health & Safety PS – Capital Expend - Over \$5,000 – Public Safety - Mobile Integrated Healthcare Program (ARP); 0218-691-1100-ARPS-7761-40317-20230.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) 2025 FORD TRANSIT 350HD VAN WITH EVI VAN CONVERSION FROM EMERGENCY VEHICLES, INC. (LAKE PARK, FL) FOR FIRE & EMS, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$122,444.00. THE PURCHASE WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY COOPERATIVE PURCHASE VIA H-GACBUY CONTRACT #FS12-23.

WHEREAS, the Fire & EMS Department will use the Van for the Mobile Integrated Healthcare Program to visit patients, as needed, and assist them with health care needs; and,

WHEREAS, this purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Request for Proposal (RFP) #FS12-23, initiated by H-GACBuy, whereby Emergency Vehicles, Inc. was one of the successful vendors contracted to provide Fire Apparatus and Related Vehicles. The effective date of the contract began December 1, 2023 and will expire on November 20, 2027. The contract available under H-GACBUY has been awarded by virtue of a public competitive procurement process compliant with State and Federal statutes. The Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) is the largest of 24 Councils of Government (COG) in Texas and is a political subdivision of the State of Texas. It has been serving local governments for more than 40 years. H-GAC's Cooperative Purchasing Program, known as HGACBuy, was established pursuant to Texas Interlocal Cooperation Act [Texas Local Government Code, Title 7, Chapter 791]. The Act allows local governments and certain non-profits to contract or agree under the terms of the Act to make purchases or provide purchasing services and other administrative functions appropriately established by another government entity. The Interlocal Contract (ILC) is the required legal document that establishes a link between the Member (local governments and certain non-profits) and HGACBuy, and gives the Member access to HGACBuy contracts. H-GAC has established Interlocal Contracts with thousands of Members throughout Texas and across the United States. Products and services are contracted after having been subjected to either a competitive bid (IFB) or competitive proposal (RFP) process. The RFP process utilized by HGACBuy meets the requirements of the City's Procurement Ordinance; additionally, cooperative purchasing is authorized per Section 3-118 of the Procurement Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

That the City Manager and/or his designee is hereby authorized to purchase one (1) 2025 Ford Transit 350HD Van with EVI Van Conversion from Emergency Vehicles, Inc. (Lake Park, FL) for Fire & EMS, in the amount of \$122,444.00. The purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via H-GACBuy Contract #FS12-23. Funds are available in the FY25 Budget as follows: American Rescue Plan-Fiscal Recovery Funds – Federal ARP – Federal Public Health & Safety PS – Capital Expend - Over \$5,000 – Public Safety - Mobile Integrated Healthcare Program (ARP); 0218-691-1100-ARPS-7761-40317-20230.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the ____ day of _____, 2024 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

Councilor Allen	voting _____
Councilor Chambers	voting _____
Councilor Cogle	voting _____
Councilor Crabb	voting _____
Councilor Davis	voting _____
Councilor Garrett	voting _____
Councilor Hickey	voting _____
Councilor Huff	voting _____
Councilor Thomas	voting _____
Councilor Tucker	voting _____

Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson III, Mayor