

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Information Only: Exigent “Off the Lot” Vehicle Purchase – Resolution No. 067-23
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

1. THREE (3) 2023 FORD EXPLORERS FOR THE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

On April 26, 2023, purchase orders were executed for three (3) 2023 Ford Explorers for the Engineering Department due to exigent circumstances, as approved by Council per Resolution No. 067-23.

The vehicles were purchased from Brannen Motor Company (Unadilla, GA) at a unit price of \$45,000.00, and a total price of \$135,000.00. Brannen Motor Company had vehicles available on their lot. The vehicles will be used by staff to visit and inspect work sites.

Funds are budgeted in the FY23 Budget: (1) - General Fund – Engineering – Traffic Engineering – Automobiles; 0101-250-2100-TRAF-7721; One (1) - Paving Fund – Engineering – Highways and Roads – Automobiles; 0203-250-2200-ROAD-7721; and One (1) - Sewer (Stormwater) Fund – Engineering – Drainage – Automobiles; 0202-250-2300-DRAN-7721.

2. SIX (6) 2023 FORD EXPLORERS FOR THE COLUMBUS FIRE/EMS DEPARTMENT

On May 1, 2023, a purchase order was executed for six (6) 2023 Ford Explorers for the Columbus Fire Department due to exigent circumstances, as approved by Council per Resolution No. 067-23.

The vehicles were purchased from Brannen Motor Company (Unadilla, GA) at a unit price of \$45,000.00, and a total price of \$270,000.00. These vehicles are not available on any cooperative contracts at this time; Ford is not taking orders and has not set a date for order bank to open. Brannen Motor Company had vehicles available on their lot. The vehicles will be used by station supervisors to carry out the daily operations for the Columbus Fire/EMS Department.

Funds are budgeted in the FY23 Budget: LOST-Public Safety Fund – Fire & EMS – Public Safety-LOST – Light Trucks; 0102-410-9900-LOST-7722.

3. TWO (2) 2023 FORD EXPLORERS FOR THE INSPECTION AND CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT

On April 28, 2023, a purchase order was executed for two (2) 2023 Ford Explorers for the Inspections and Code Enforcement Department due to exigent circumstances, as approved by Council per Resolution No. 067-23.

The vehicles were purchased from Brannen Motor Company (Unadilla, GA) at a unit price of \$45,000.00, and a total price of \$90,000.00. These vehicles are not available on any cooperative contracts at this time; Ford is not taking orders and order bank is not set to open until late July. Brannen Motor Company had vehicles available on their lot. The vehicles will be used by staff to respond to citizens' complaints and to enforce City codes throughout Muscogee County.

Funds are budgeted in the FY23 Budget: General Fund – Community Development – Inspections & Code Enforcement – Light Trucks; 0102-410-9900-LOST-7722.

4. ONE (1) 2023 CHEVROLET SILVERADO 2500HD FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

On April 26, 2023, a purchase order was executed for one (1) 2023 Chevrolet Silverado 2500HD for the Public Works Department due to exigent circumstances, as approved by Council per Resolution No. 067-23.

The vehicle was purchased from Sons Chevrolet (Columbus, GA) at a unit price of \$60,237.00. The vehicle was not available on any cooperative contracts due to manufacturers' parts availability. Sons Chevrolet had the vehicle available on their lot because a business cancelled an order due to delayed delivery. The vehicle will be utilized as a service truck by an electrician in the daily operations of their duties for the Facilities Maintenance Division.

Funds are budgeted in the FY23 Budget: General Fund – Public Works – Facilities Maintenance – Light Trucks; 0101-260-2700-MNTN-7722.

5. ONE (1) 2023 FORD F-150 FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

On April 21, 2023, a purchase order was executed for one (1) 2023 Ford F-150 for the Department of Homeland Security due to exigent circumstances, as approved by Council per Resolution No. 067-23.

The vehicle was purchased from Rivertown Ford (Columbus, GA) at a unit price of \$59,855.00. The vehicle was purchased in place of a Ford Expedition ordered from Wade Ford in June 2022, but could not be delivered. The Ford order bank will not reopen until mid to late summer per the State Contract holder. Rivertown Ford had a vehicle available on their lot. The vehicle will be used by Homeland Security employees in their daily operations.

Funds are budgeted in the FY23 Budget: General Fund – Miscellaneous – Non-Categorical – Light Trucks; 0101-590-3000-NCAT-7722.

6. EIGHT (8) 2023 NISSAN FRONTIER TRUCKS FOR THE COLUMBUS FIRE/EMS DEPARTMENT

On May 3, 2023, a purchase order was executed for eight (8) 2023 Nissan Frontier trucks for the Columbus Fire Department due to exigent circumstances, as approved by Council per Resolution No. 067-23.

The vehicles were purchased from Headquarter Nissan of Columbus (Columbus, GA), one (1) each at the following unit prices: \$41,697.00, \$39,178.00, \$38,085.00, \$38,012.00, \$37,930.00, \$37,907.00, \$35,162.00, and \$32,191.00, for a total price of \$300,162.00. The vehicles will be used by the station supervisors to carry out the daily operations for Columbus Fire Department. The vehicles are not available from cooperative contract vendors; Ford has not set a date for the order bank to open.

Funds are budgeted in the FY23 Budget: LOST-Public Safety Fund – Fire & EMS – Public Safety-LOST – Light Trucks; 0102-410-9900-LOST-7722.

7. TWO (2) 2023 FORD F-150 TRUCKS FOR THE COLUMBUS FIRE/EMS DEPARTMENT

On May 3, 2023, a purchase order was executed for two (2) 2023 Ford F-150 trucks for the Columbus Fire Department due to exigent circumstances, as approved by Council per Resolution No. 067-23.

The vehicles were purchased from Rivertown Ford (Columbus, GA) at the following unit prices: one (1) at \$49,520.13 and one (1) at \$47,098.22, for a total price of \$96,618.35. The vehicles will be used by the station supervisors to carry out the daily operations for Columbus Fire/EMS Department. The vehicles are not available from cooperative contract vendors; Ford has not set a date for the order bank to open.

Funds are budgeted in the FY23 Budget: LOST-Public Safety Fund – Fire & EMS – Public Safety-LOST – Light Trucks; 0102-410-9900-LOST-7722.

8. ONE (1) 2022 FORD ESCAPE FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

On May 3, 2023, a purchase order was executed for one (1) 2022 Ford Escape for the Public Works Department due to exigent circumstances, as approved by Council per Resolution No. 067-23.

The vehicle was purchased from Rivertown Ford (Columbus, GA) at a unit price of \$28,679.00. The vehicle will be used by Fleet Administrative staff to carry out the daily operations for the Fleet Division to include couriering mail to Government Center, attending meetings in various locations, and other activities when needed. The vehicle is being purchased as an ‘off the lot’ purchase because the State Contract holder (Ford) and Sourcewell cooperative contract vendor not having any vehicles available at this time. Ford has not set a date for the order bank to open.

Funds are budgeted in the FY23 Budget: General Fund – Public Works – Fleet Management – Light Trucks; 0101-260-2300-VHCL-7722.

9. ONE (1) 2023 NISSAN ROGUE FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

On May 3, 2023, a purchase order was executed for one (1) 2023 Rogue for the Public Works Department due to exigent circumstances, as approved by Council per Resolution No. 067-23.

The vehicle was purchased from Headquarter Nissan of Columbus (Columbus, GA), at a unit price of \$29,085.00. The vehicle will be used by Animal Control administrative staff to carry out the day-to-day operations for the animal control center. The vehicle is being purchased because the State Contract holder (Ford) does not have mid-size SUVs available and has not released an order date yet.

Funds are budgeted in the FY23 Budget: General Fund – Public Works – Animal Control – Light Trucks; 0101-260-2400-SPCL-7722.