



REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

AGENDA DATE: October 14, 2025

AGENDA ITEM: Consider approving trade of retired squad car to Itasca County Sheriff's Office for Law Enforcement Pursuit Intervention training for Grand Rapids Police Officers.

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BACKGROUND:

The Grand Rapids Police Department has a 2014 Dodge Charger, VIN# 2C3CDXAG6EH141264, that has been retired as patrol vehicle and is ready to be disposed of.

The Itasca County Sheriff's Office is in need of a former squad car to modify for use in pursuit intervention training. The Sheriff's Office has Deputies trained as instructors for this course.

The Grand Rapids Police Department has been looking at training GRPD Officers in pursuit intervention techniques as it provides a precise, safe, and controlled method for law enforcement to stop a fleeing vehicle and apprehend a suspect, thereby enhancing public safety. When GRPD has looked into this training in the past, from an outside source, the cost is approximately \$650 per officer or \$13,650 for the whole department, not including travel time or wages.

From previous experience, with sending retired patrol vehicles to auction, after the cost of the auction service is deducted the value of these vehicles has been significantly lower than civilian vehicles in the same market. This is due to after market being installed and removed from the vehicles, the condition of the vehicles, and public knowledge of the vehicles having been used as patrol vehicles. It is estimated that this vehicle, if sold at auction would be under \$5000.

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION:

Make a motion to approve trade of retired squad car to Itasca County Sheriff's Office for Law Enforcement Pursuit Intervention training for Grand Rapids Police Officers.