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Tim Applen, Chief of Police

MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Mayor, Duane Jirik, members of the City Council, Shawn Ryan,

Maggie Bass, Bruce Wolf, Rik Seiler and City Administrator, Joshua Tetzlaff

From: Tim Applen, Chief of Police/Emergency Manager

Date: February 13, 2025

Subject: Police Department Purchase of 2025 Ford Explorer Police Interceptor

The Police Department has budgeted for the replacement of a marked patrol squad car in 2025 through capital expense. Ford is currently taking orders for spring production which is likely to occur in April.

The 2025 Explorer will replace the 2018 Ford Police Interceptor purchased in 2017. The 2018 Explorer was scheduled to be replaced in 2024, noting its good condition we were able to extend the replacement to 2025. The 2018 Ford Explorer would be transferred to Public Works for continued use. Working through the State of Minnesota Office of Procurement the state bid was awarded to Tenvoorde Ford in St. Cloud for 2025.

The state bid pricing for the 2025 Ford Police Interceptor is \$42,784.94. I contacted Belzer Ford to provide them with an opportunity to match the state pricing. If Belzer can match the state bid price, the vehicle would be purchased locally from Belzer. In the event Belzer is not able to match pricing, the vehicle would be purchased through Tenvoorde Ford. Ford is currently taking orders for spring production which is likely to occur in April.

Recommended Action:

Purchase 2025 Ford Explorer Police Interceptor in the amount of \$42,784.94 from Belzer Ford or Tenyoorde Ford.