

**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

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AGENDA:

NOVEMBER 18, 2002

SUBJECT:

VEHICLE
REPLACEMENT
AWARDS

TYPE:

RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
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SUBMITTED BY:

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ITEM 41-A

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA**

SYNOPSIS —

The Des Moines Police Department Vehicle Replacement bids were issued to eleven interested vendors August 22, 2002, on Bid V03-33. Nine vendors responded by submitting proposals. The Police Department recommends all low dollar proposals be accepted except for two submittals, which do not meet vehicle specifications.

The Police Department would also like to purchase additional vehicle amounts not delineated in the original specifications.

FISCAL IMPACT —

The purchase price of the combined vehicle proposals will amount to \$604,562.44, which will be funded from the Police Department CIP Vehicle Replacement Fund BLD. 107

RECOMMENDATION —

Approval from the Council to award bids to those vendors recommended by the Police Department and Central Maintenance Center staff and to increase the number of vehicles ordered.

BACKGROUND —

In fiscal year 2003, the Police Department was removed from the Vehicle Replacement Fund and allocated funds in the Capital Improvement Program to purchase replacement vehicles.

The Police Department determined the vehicle types required for operation and bid specifications were compiled and sent out August 22, 2002. Nine interested vendors returned the bids. After evaluation by Police Department and Central Maintenance Center staff, the following proposals have been identified as being in the best interest of the City.

Item #1 – 19 Police Patrol Cars-Unit price: \$20,702 Ext. Price: \$393,338
The low dollar bidder was Holmes Chevrolet with the Chevrolet Impala. This vehicle does not meet bid specifications as defined in the areas of engine size, wheel base size, tracking control, fuel injection system, suspension and drive train. The low compliant bidder is Dewey Ford who is the next low dollar

proposal.

Item #2 – 3 Emergency Utility Vehicle- Unit price: \$21,111 Ext. Price: \$63,333

The low compliant bidder was also the low dollar proposal. The vendor is Karl Chevrolet. The bid specification stipulated the purchase of two vehicles. The Police Department would like to raise this amount to three vehicles in order to accommodate the increase of personnel in the Neighborhood Based Service Delivery Program.

Item #3 – 5 Midsize Four Door Sedans-Unit Price: \$14,736.50, Ext. Price: \$73,682.50

The low compliant bidder was Mid-States Ford. Because of the low pricing of this vehicle, the Police Department can order two additional vehicles in this style. This will provide a vehicle for the Administration Division and Administrative Services Division, which were initially sacrificed because of pre-bid estimates.

Item #4 – 1 Animal Control Vehicle-Unit price: \$21,241.25 Ext. price: \$22,241.25

The low compliant bidder is Quality Ford. A \$1000 dollar option for power mirrors has been added to this purchase price.

Item #5 – 1 Radio Shop Vehicle-Unit price: \$20,567 Ext. price: \$20,567

The low dollar bidder, Gabus Ford, did not meet specifications concerning the drive train and cargo space. Karl Chevrolet is the low compliant vendor. The vehicle bid is an Astro van.

Item #6 – 1 Cargo Van-Unit price: \$15,721 Ext. price: \$15,721

The low compliant vendor is Gabus Ford.

Item #7 – 1 Small Pickup-Unit price: \$15,679.69 Ext. price: \$15,679.69

The low compliant vendor is Gabus Ford.

