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Agenda Item No. **48I**
Roll Call No. **09-**
Communication No. **09-477**
Submitted by: **Merrill R. Stanley, Deputy City
Manager**

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving purchase of 22 Police Department Patrol Cars.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval to purchase 22 Police Patrol Cars using the State of Iowa Department of Administrative Services Vehicle Contract from Ed Stivers Ford, (1450 E. Highway 6, Waukee IA, 50263, (Don Politte, President) for \$494,714.00.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$494,714.00

Funding Source: \$224,870 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG).
\$269,844.00 CMO010407, Equipment Replacement Fund, FY10 Operating Budget, page 53.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Justice Assistance Grant funding was approved for the purchase of ten (10) additional Police Patrol Pursuit vehicles. Staff identified twelve (12) existing units meeting or exceeding the replacement criteria of 100,000 miles during the 2010 fiscal year. Due to the timing of the grant funding, bids were solicited for a total of 22 vehicles prior to the annual vehicle bid for all City departments.

Six (6) bids were mailed and two responses were received for 2010 model year vehicles. Due to order dates and production schedules, 2009 model year vehicles cannot be ordered, and 2010 model year vehicles are not yet available on the State of Iowa contract. The apparent low bid for 2010 model year vehicles from Gabus Automotive Group dba Charles Gabus Ford (4545 Merle Hay Road, Des Moines IA, 50310, Gene Gabus, President) in the amount of \$527,165.10 was compared to current pricing and to 2009 model year vehicles available using the existing State of Iowa contract. Stivers Ford holds the existing contract with the State of Iowa and can furnish 22 2009 model year vehicles currently on order with production dates scheduled and meeting or exceeding the required specifications at a savings of \$32,451.10. The 2010 model year vehicles are substantially unchanged from 2009 models, therefore it is recommended to purchase 2009 model year vehicles utilizing the State of Iowa Contract.

These vehicles are consistent with the existing fleet of Patrol/Pursuit sedans with eight (8) cylinder gasoline engines. Four (4), six (6) cylinder more fuel efficient rated Patrol sedans recently purchased have been received, but not placed into service at this time pending installation of emergency response equipment; therefore fuel efficiency and performance has not been evaluated.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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