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CITY of NOVI CITY COUNCIL

Agenda Item F
September 22, 2008

SUBJECT: Approval to purchase two (2) 2009 Ford Expeditions 4x4 EL for the Novi Police Department Uniform Division from Signature Ford of Owosso, MI, lowest bidder, through the cooperative bid purchase program, in the amount of \$56,948.

SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT: Police

CITY MANAGER APPROVAL:

EXPENDITURE REQUIRED	\$56,948
AMOUNT BUDGETED	\$57,000
APPROPRIATION REQUIRED	N/A
LINE ITEM NUMBER	266-266.00-983.000 (Forfeiture Funds)

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

As part of the FY 2008-09 budget process, funds were approved to purchase two (2) replacement SUV Type Marked patrol vehicles. One of these vehicles is for the exclusive use of the on duty uniform patrol sergeant and the other is specifically used by uniform traffic officers. Forfeiture Funds would be used to purchase these vehicles. They will be replacements for older SUV's in the fleet that will be required to be taken out of service. Due to Collective Bargaining Agreements all patrol vehicles must be retired after 80,000 miles.

These vehicles are preferred based on their durability and effectiveness in bad weather. Additionally, the supervisory vehicle is loaded with numerous pieces of equipment used in emergency situations and is prepared to act as a temporary command post during rapid response incidents. Other day to day supplies are also on hand to supplement the normal equipment that is placed in each patrol unit deployed. The additional room is also needed for the traffic enforcement officers as they are required to transport heavy scales used to weigh commercial motor vehicles as part of their day to day duties. These SUV type vehicles are a valuable part of our police fleet.

The vehicle model to be purchased is the 2009 Expedition 4x4 EL. The purchase would be made through the Macomb County cooperative bid purchase program. The vendor is Signature Ford of Owosso, MI. A comparison of the cooperative purchasing prices for both Expeditions and Tahoes between Macomb County, Oakland County and the State of Michigan contracts was done with Signature's Ford's price for the 2009 Expedition being the lowest.

Due to the mileage on the existing SUV's, we have been able to delay the purchase of the replacements. However, we have now learned that Ford Motor Company is beginning the process of moving the production of the Expeditions from the Michigan Truck Plant to a facility in Kentucky. Ford is taking orders for these vehicles until the first week of October and then there will be a production gap. The next build cycle will not begin until April 2009 and therefore we would not be able to take delivery until mid-summer 2009.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approval to purchase two (2) 2009 Ford Expeditions 4x4 EL for the Novi Police Department Uniform Division from Signature Ford of Owosso, MI, lowest bidder, through the cooperative bid purchase program, in the amount of \$56,948.

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Mayor Landry				
Mayor Pro Tem Capello				
Council Member Crawford				
Council Member Gatt				

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Council Member Margolis				
Council Member Mutch				
Council Member Staudt				

Novi Police Department
2009 Ford Expedition and 2009 Tahoe
Price Comparison

	State of Michigan Berger Chevrolet Bob Evans Tahoe Contract Price		Macomb Signature Ford Bill Campbell Expedition Contract Price	State of Michigan Gorno Ford Eddie Williams
Base	\$ 30,373.47		\$ 27,534.00	\$ 27,189.00
Rear door handles and locks made inoperative, rear windows switches made inoperative	Included	SIG	\$ 240.00	\$ 50.00
Dual spot lights	Included	Alt2	\$ 700.00	\$ 1,190.00
Heavy Duty Trailer Tow Package	Included	536	Included	\$ 795.00
Per Vehicle Cost:	\$ 30,373.47		\$ 28,474.00	\$ 29,224.00
Number to be purchased:	2		2	2
Purchase Project Total:	\$ 60,746.94		\$ 56,948.00	\$ 58,448.00