



Takoma Park City Council Meeting – April 12, 2017 Agenda Item 2C

Voting Session (Consent Agenda)

Single Reading Ordinance for Lease of Two Electric Vehicles

Recommended Council Action

Approve ordinance for lease of two electric vehicles.

Context with Key Issues

The current fiscal year budget includes \$25,000 in the Equipment Replacement Reserve Fund to purchase a new vehicle for the Neighborhood Services Team. The Police Department originally planned to purchase an electric vehicle, but ultimately decided to lease rather than purchase in the short term so we could evaluate performance and maintenance needs, as we have not previously owned the types of vehicles being leased.

In reviewing options, the Police Department identified two vehicles suitable for its needs, a Chevrolet Volt and a Chevrolet Spark. In light of the addition of the new Neighborhood Service Team position and the pricing of the leases, the Police Department opted to lease two vehicles instead of one. The total annual cost for both vehicles is \$6,803.88 over a three-year lease. At the conclusion of the lease term, the department will evaluate the cost effectiveness of the program and, in coordination with the Fleet Review Committee, determine whether it makes sense to continue to lease or purchase electric vehicles moving forward.

Council Priority

A Livable Community for All

Environmental Impact of Action

Electric vehicles have reduced emissions, improved fuel economy, and lower fuel costs.

Racial Equity Impact Statement

We do not believe this action will adversely affect or disproportionately impact any particular racial group.

Fiscal Impact of Action

The leased vehicles cost \$6,803.88 per year with a three-year lease. The leases are being funded out of the Police Department's operating budget.

Attachments and Links

Single Reading Ordinance Authorizing the vehicle lease

Introduced by:

Single Reading Ordinance

**CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND
ORDINANCE NO. 2017-**

**Authorizing a Motor Vehicle Lease Agreement with GM Finance
for the Lease of a 2016 Chevy Spark Electric and a 2017 Chevy Volt Automobile**

WHEREAS, the City of Takoma Park desires to use electric vehicles when practical; and

WHEREAS, the City has acquired an all-electric 2016 Chevy Spark automobile from General Motors for use by the City's Neighborhood Services Team to carry out municipal government functions; and

WHEREAS, the City has acquired an electric 2017 Chevy Volt automobile from General Motors for use by the City's Neighborhood Services Team to carry out municipal government functions; and

WHEREAS, the City is financing the vehicle leases through a Motor Vehicle Lease Agreement ("Lease") with GM Finance; and

WHEREAS, the City will make 36 monthly lease payments of \$355.55 for the Volt and;

WHEREAS, the City will make 36 monthly lease payments of \$211.24 for the Spark and;

WHEREAS, funds for the lease are in the existing operating budget of the Police Department.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND THAT:

SECTION 1. The City Manager or her designee is authorized to lease two vehicles.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately.

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 2017 by roll-call vote as follows:

AYE:

NAY:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: