

Takoma Park City Council Meeting – November 17, 2021 Agenda Item 6

Voting Session

Single Reading Ordinance Authorizing the Purchase of Five Hybrid Police Patrol SUVs.

Recommended Council Action

Approve the ordinance.

Context with Key Issues

In accordance with the City's practice to replace vehicles pursuant to its vehicle replacement policy, the Police Department proposes the replacement of four gasoline powered fleet vehicles. Funding for this purchase was included in the FY22 budget. Further, the Police Department received approval for the purchase of one additional fleet vehicle. In FY19, staffing was increased to 43 sworn officers, but the monies were not included at that time for the addition of a vehicle for the position. Funding for this vehicle purchase was included in FY22 Budget Amendment No. 2. This proposal is for the purchase of a total of five Hybrid Police Patrol SUVs, and to outfit them for use as marked Police Patrol Vehicles.

These proposals were reviewed and approved by the Fleet Review Committee in accordance with the Vehicle Replacement/Addition/Transfer Policy and schedule.

Council Priority

A Livable Community for All; Engaged, Responsive and Service-Oriented Government

Environmental Considerations

The proposed vehicles are Hybrid pursuit/patrol rated, and are more efficient that the gasoline powered vehicles to be replaced.

Fiscal Considerations

The price of the five Hybrid vehicles, to be purchased through Apple Ford on a Maryland State Contract, is \$210,000. The cost to outfit the vehicles with all emergency equipment, prisoner transport barriers, and graphics, by Frontline Mobile Tech on a Howard County Contract, is \$90,760. The total proposed purchase price of the fully equipped vehicles will be \$300,760.

Racial Equity Considerations

This purchase will not disproportionately impact any particular group.

Attachments and Links

• Draft Single Reading Ordinance Authorizing the Purchase of Five Police Vehicles from Apple Ford, with outfitting by Frontline Mobile Tech.

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND ORDINANCE NO. 2021-

AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE POLICE VEHICLES

- WHEREAS, four police vehicles are scheduled for replacement in accordance with the City's vehicle replacement policy and the review by the Fleet Review Committee; and
- WHEREAS, one additional new police vehicle has been authorized to be purchased; and
- WHEREAS, the police department proposes to acquire five Ford Interceptor Hybrid SUVs from Apple Ford at the cost of \$210,000, and to outfit the vehicles through Frontline Mobile Tech at a cost of \$90,760, for a total cost of \$300,760; and,
- WHEREAS, the quoted vehicle price is based on a Maryland State contract, and the quoted price to outfit the vehicles is based on a Howard County contract

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

- SECTION 1. The City Manager or his designee is authorized to enter into an agreement with Apple Ford for the purchase of five vehicles, and with Frontline Mobile Tech for the outfitting of said vehicles.
- SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2021 by roll-call vote as follows:

AYE: NAY: ABSTAIN: ABSENT: