

Special Investigation Division Fleet Update Request

To: Mayor, City Council, City Manager

From: Interim Chief Loren Marion III

Date: Thursday, October 1, 2018

Subject: S.I.D. Vehicle Purchase

SID Operations

Personnel assigned to the Special Investigation Division (SID) typically operate unmarked vehicles designed to blend in with civilian vehicles. SID officers conduct operations including but not limited to undercover drug buys, surveillance of drug complaint houses, open market drug dealing, undercover gun purchases, high risk suspect apprehensions, burglary details, and prostitution details. SID officers are often requested to complete tasks for other units such as Neighborhood Services or for Detectives that cannot be completed utilizing traditional squad cars. SID officers are typically backed up by a marked or semi marked squad car but it is essential to use "plain" vehicles to conduct such operations.

Justification

The Special Investigations Division is in need of replacing vehicles in the fleet. The vehicles were last updated in 2011, and are historically updated every 2-3 years (2007, 2009, and 2011). Currently, Investigators within SID utilize vehicles with mileage ranging from 144,000 to over 232,000. The vehicles range in age from 10-15 years old (2003-2008). The vehicle exteriors are deteriorating with multiple cars showing clear coat/paint damage and several with rust issues. The maintenance on these vehicles continues to climb as would be expected given the year and mileage. In addition, most, if not all, of the vehicles we are seeking to replace are instantly recognizable by the criminal elements we attempt to survey during drug or gun operations.

Plan of Action

I am seeking authorization to purchase eight (8) vehicles for SID and trade/ auction fourteen (14) vehicles we currently have in our inventory. The purchase of these vehicles will not utilize any tax payer dollars and will rely solely on seized funds, trade-ins, and funds from auctioned vehicles. We currently have five (5) vehicles at Dries Lane (Public Works) awaiting the next City auction. These vehicles are in poor condition and are not currently utilized in any manner by SID. The vehicles are estimated to get an average of \$2,000 for a total of approximately \$10,000. The funds received at auction would go to the STAFOR account and back pay some of the funds utilized to purchase the vehicles. We have identified nine (9) vehicles that were

previously described that would be traded in for updated fleet vehicles. The low trade in value for all nine (9) vehicles is around \$22,200 and would be applied to the updated fleet purchase. In summary, we would be trading in nine vehicles and auctioning five (5) vehicles. We would in turn, acquire eight (8) newer vehicles for daily operations. This action, if approved, would update the fleet, lower maintenance costs, reduce fleet inventory, and allow more flexibility for covert operations.

Points of Purchase

Multiple dealerships within the City of Peoria have been surveyed for suitable vehicles as well as the possibility to purchase used Enterprise fleet cars. State bids for new vehicles and “new old stock” were sought through Dries Lane (Public Works). Vehicle options include new or “new old stock” cars/SUV’s (state bid) and vehicles 1-5 years old with 20,000 to 40,000 miles.

Cost Analysis (Figures could vary slightly depending on trade in/auction final results)

We are looking to spend on average \$25,000 per vehicle for the purchase of eight (8) vehicles with a total of \$200,000 without deductions.

We are planning on trading in nine (9) vehicles with a total low trade in value of \$22,200.

The five (5) vehicles at auction are expected to bring an average of \$2,000 for a total of \$10,000.

Vehicle purchase (8 total) =	\$200,000
Trade in value (9 total) =	- \$22,200
Auction (5 cars) =	- \$10,000
Total =	\$167,800

Funding Source

Federal (PDAFF) balance =	\$127,680.23
State (STAFOR) balance =	\$125,067.88
Total =	\$252,748.11

Vehicle Purchase Allocation

PDAFF =	\$107,800.00
STAFOR =	\$60,000.00
Total =	\$167,800.00

Amended Balances

PDAFF balance =	\$19,880.23
STAFOR balance =	\$65,067.88
Total =	\$84,948.11

Summary

Both accounts have sufficient amounts to allocate funds for the requested purchase. There will still be monies left over if any purchases are necessary in the near future. Vehicle repairs and maintenance are expected to have a significant reduction on City of Peoria garage (Public Works) resources. SUV's and vehicles with AWD/ 4WD will be purchased when possible and will serve a dual purpose for inclement weather. Patrol may use SID 4WD vehicles during heavy snow. Whenever possible, vehicles with warranties or remaining warranties will be purchased to further defer costs.

***All vehicle purchases will be done with the approval of the Chief of Police through the Chain of Command.**