CITY OF COOS BAY CITY COUNCIL

Agenda Staff Report

MEETING DATE	AGENDA ITEM NUMBER
August 4, 2015	

TO: Mayor Shoji and City Councilors

FROM: Gary McCullough, Chief of Police

Through: Rodger Craddock, City Manager

ISSUE: PURCHASE OF POLICE PATROL VEHICLES

BACKGROUND:

One of the ongoing concern to the City is the continued safety of police personnel operating City owned police service vehicles. Maintaining an equipment replacement schedule is critical to the safety of department personnel, the person or person's they may be responding to assist in a time of need, the motoring public, and to the person or persons officers may be transporting in these vehicles.

The City Council has maintained a vehicle replacement schedule in order to have a fleet of vehicles suitable for emergency police operations. This budget year, we are scheduled to replace two (2) Police Service Vehicles (PSVs). These two (2) new PSVs will be used to replace two of our current patrol vehicles. One of the vehicles will be reassigned to the Public Works Department, and the other vehicle will replace a current vehicle that has become very costly to maintain in a condition that is necessary for safe and efficient emergency responses.

Staff recently began checking with State Bid venders for availability of 2016 PSV models. Staff has learned that 2016 models would not likely be available until late spring of 2016, and they were also advised that the venders were being told of a significant price increase of about \$5,000 over the 2015 price. Staff then began inquiring about for the availability of 2015 PSV models. We were able to locate two (2) 2015 PSV models that closely match the specifications required. These vehicles were located at Hubbard Chevrolet which is one of the State Bid Venders listed on the State of Oregon Administrative Services Purchasing Division, and they would be available for immediate purchase. The quoted purchase price for these police package vehicles is \$31,494.75 each for a total of \$62,989.50. Staff checked with two other State Bid venders and found that Carson Chevrolet had no 2015 PSV Chevrolet Tahoe's available. Bruce Chevrolet had one (1) 4x4 Blue 2015 PSV available for \$36,500.

ADVANTAGES:

Purchasing these two (2) 2015 PSVs now, will save the City over \$10,000.00 versus the Department having to wait to purchase 2016 PSVs. As well, there is a chance that the Chevrolet Police Package Tahoe will not be available to police agencies until mid to late summer of 2016.

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DISADVANTAGES:

None

BUDGET:

The City of Coos Bay Budget Committee adopted a budget designating \$85,000.00 in the Major Capital Reserve Fund 34 vehicle line item #30-08 for the purchase as well as the outfitting of Police Service Vehicles. The two (2) 2015 pursuit rated Chevrolet Tahoes with the required factory options will cost \$31,494.75 for each vehicle. This cost does not include outfitting (light bars, radios, cameras, custody compartment, etc.). While we traditionally wait until November to allow for receipt of annual property tax revenues before purchasing major capital assists, the City currently has sufficient funds to purchase the vehicles.

RECOMMENDATION:

If it pleases the Council, approve the purchase of the two (2) Police Service Vehicles with the required factory options through Hubbard Chevrolet at a cost not to exceed \$62,989.50.