



CITY of NOVI CITY COUNCIL

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Agenda Item C
July 23, 2007

SUBJECT: Approval to purchase two (2) Dodge Charger vehicles for the Police Department Investigative Section from Snethkamp Dodge, of Lansing, Michigan through the State of Michigan cooperative bid purchase program, in the amount of \$35,636.72.

SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT: Police *DEM*

CITY MANAGER APPROVAL: 

EXPENDITURE REQUIRED	\$ 35,636.72
AMOUNT BUDGETED	\$ 36,400.00
LINE ITEM NUMBER	266-266.00-983.000

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

As part of the FY 2007-08 budget process, funds were allocated for the purchase of two (2) unmarked vehicles for the Police Department Investigative Section. Federal Drug Forfeiture funds would be used to purchase these vehicles which will be replacement vehicles for older vehicles in the fleet.

The vehicle model to be purchased is the 2008 Dodge Magnum. The purchase would be made through the State of Michigan cooperative bid purchase program. The vendor is Snethkamp Dodge of Lansing, Michigan. The state contract price for the vehicles is valid through December 16, 2007.

The cut off date has passed for 2007 model year vehicles. Orders for 2008 vehicles are being accepted by the vendor, however the production run is not expected to begin until August. Delivery is expected in September or October.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approval to purchase two (2) Dodge Charger vehicles for the Police Department Investigative Section from Snethkamp Dodge, of Lansing, Michigan through the State of Michigan cooperative bid purchase program, in the amount of \$35,636.72.

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

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Council Member Nagy				
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Carol Kalinovik
Purchasing Director

FROM: David E. Molloy *DEM*
Chief of Police

INITIATED BY: James Petres *JP*
Analyst Planner

DATE: July 2, 2007

SUBJECT: Purchase of Unmarked Police Vehicles

The Police Department would like to initiate the purchase of two (2) unmarked vehicles for the Investigative Section. These will be replacements for two aging vehicles. Funds for the purchase of the vehicles were appropriated in the FY 2007-2008 budget. Federal drug forfeiture funds will be used for the purchase.

The City has recently purchased a Dodge Magnum for use as a K-9 vehicle from Bill Snethkamp's Lansing Dodge through the State of Michigan bid contract. Snethkamp Dodge has also been awarded the bid from the State of Michigan for the Dodge Charger administrative package vehicle. Orders for the 2008 Charger are currently being accepted, although production is not expected to begin until late August. The current State contract is in effect until December 16, 2007, with the contract pricing continuing for the 2008 model year until then.

The Department currently has a variety of vehicles in the fleet for use by the Investigative Section. These include Ford and GM vehicles. The purchase of the Dodge Charger would further diversify the fleet, which would be advantageous for investigative purposes.

Dodge Chargers, comparably equipped to other cars in the fleet, can be obtained under the State of Michigan contract for \$17,818.36. The total price for two vehicles will be \$35,636.72. A cost of \$18,120 per vehicle was anticipated in the budget preparation the purchase of these vehicles, for a budgeted amount of \$36,240. By taking advantage of the current contract pricing, we will save the amount of the price increase expected in December and be able to make the purchase \$396 under the budgeted amount.

It is desirable to place the order for the cars as soon as possible to reduce the delay in delivery which may occur as a result of the backlog of orders that is typical prior to the start of production. If the vehicles are ordered soon, delivery in the first quarter is a possibility. Therefore, we would like to have the purchase on the agenda for the July 23rd City Council meeting. Please let me know if you have any questions.

