

TO: Village Council
FROM: Scot Lahrmer, Village Manager
DATE: January 5, 2016
RE: Replacement of Police Cruisers

ITEM: Purchase of two police vehicles.

ACTION REQUESTED: By motion, adopt **Resolution 2016- 5** authorizing the Village to purchase two police vehicles from Statewide Ford.

PURPOSE: To continue replacement of vehicles to serve the public safety of residents.

The Police Department is requesting 2 new police vehicles for 2016. The cost of vehicle repairs is very high on high mileage vehicles and police cruisers typically reach the end of their useable life as they reach 100,000 miles. With the purchase of the new cruisers the repair cost will drop significantly. The new vehicles will be under warranty from the factory and will only incur basic repair cost for oil changes and routine maintenance. With inclement weather, having reliable all-wheel drive vehicles in responding to emergency situations is critical. Officers respond to fire emergencies and life squad runs on a daily basis and without having these vehicles, response time will be greatly increased. With the purchase of two vehicles, all of the marked fleet will have all-wheel drive which will greatly assist in inclement weather. The current cruisers that are being replaced are only rear wheel drive and do not perform well in snow and ice.

The 4 cruisers that will be replaced currently have between 70,000 and 102,000 miles. Mileage on a police vehicle is much different than that of a civilian vehicle since police vehicles are driven 24 hours a day and idle for extended periods of time without putting on miles. This heavy duty wear and tear takes a heavy toll on parts of the vehicle like brakes, cooling system, electrical system, and suspension which causes a sharp increase in maintenance costs as the vehicle gets close to 100,000 miles.

Four vehicles will be removed from service with the purchase of the two new cruisers:

	<u>Cruiser #</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Make</u>	<u>Model</u>	<u>Mileage</u>
1.	206	2006	Ford	Crown Victoria	102,101
2.	106	2006	Ford	Crown Victoria	98,000
3.	310	2010	Dodge	Charger	72,800
4.	610	2010	Dodge	Charger	69,100

The remaining marked cruiser fleet includes:

1.	214 (K9 in 2016)	2014	Ford	Utility	68,000
2.	514	2014	Ford	Utility	45,000
3.	414	2014	Ford	Utility	25,000

Unmarked Fleet

1.	915	(Chief's)	2015	Chevy	Tahoe	9,800
2.	915	(Lt. Blum)	2015	Chevy	Tahoe	4,500
3.	408	(Court Car)	2008	Chevy	Tahoe	162,000
4.	405	(Detective)	2008	Chevy	Tahoe	123,000
5.	510	(Administration)	2010	Ford	Explorer	45,000
6.	907	(Court Car)	2007	Ford	Crown Victoria	109,000

The 2 Dodge Chargers being removed from service will be auctioned off on the Hamilton County Auction Website or sold to another jurisdiction. The value of these two vehicles should bring in around \$8,000 for both vehicles, possibly higher depending on the buyer. The 2 Crown Victorias will be traded into Statewide Ford and should bring in around \$2,500 for both vehicles.

Car 214 will be taken out of the regular patrol in January and will be converted to a K9 cruiser for Officer Alt. The advantage to using one of the Ford Utility vehicles as a K9 vehicle is that weather will not be a factor in utilizing the K9; all of the equipment that is purchased for this vehicle can be moved to another Ford Utility in the future when it's time for replacement.

The 2 proposed new vehicles are 2016 Ford Utility Police Interceptor cruisers that will greatly benefit the department by having all-wheel drive to assist with driving in inclement weather. The new police vehicles will also have Advancetrac Stability which monitors the vehicles cornering behavior and then adjusts the brakes and throttle control to help maintain control of the vehicle. The power train warranty has also been extended from 3 years/36,000 miles to 5 years/100,000 miles. In the past, the Village has had to replace transmissions between 60,000-100,000 miles.

The State of Ohio has awarded the contract for 2016 models and Statewide Ford holds the State contract. The price for one 2016 Ford Utility Interceptor delivered is \$27,677.50 with the total price of \$55,355 for two vehicles. The State purchasing schedule is a very cost-effective alternative and delivery of the vehicles will be in the spring of 2016.

The Police/Fire Committee has reviewed this request and recommends purchase of two new Ford Utility Police Cruisers. Adoption of Resolution **2016-5** is recommended.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

PASSED:
BY:

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-5

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER
TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT TO PURCHASE TWO NEW POLICE CRUISERS
UNDER THE STATE OF OHIO CONTRACT

WHEREAS, the Village Police Department provides valuable and essential services to the Village and its residents;

WHEREAS, from time to time the Village must purchase new equipment to replace that which has become outdated, inefficient, or unusable;

WHEREAS, the Police Department determined, and Council agrees, that several existing police cruisers have reached the end of their useful lives such that there is a need to purchase new vehicles to replace the older equipment that has since become unreliable and costly to maintain;

WHEREAS, the Village has the opportunity to purchase two new 2016 Ford Utility Interceptor police cruisers from Statewide Ford through the State of Ohio Purchasing Contract, which will yield good value for the new equipment at a price lower than the Village could achieve in the open market;

WHEREAS, the Police and Fire Committee met to consider the request and recommends purchase of two new police cruisers at the price of \$27,677.50 each for a total of \$55,355.00;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Council of Amberley Village, State of Ohio, _____ members elected thereto concurring:

SECTION 1: That the Village Manager be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to enter into a contract on behalf of the Village with Statewide Ford for the purchase of two 2016 Ford Utility Interceptors at a price of \$27,677.50 each for a total of \$55,355.00. Over and above the purchase price, the Village Manager is authorized to pay any reasonable administrative fees charged as a condition of participating in the State of Ohio Purchasing Contract.

SECTION 2: This purchase is being made through the State of Ohio Purchasing Contract. The Clerk is hereby directed to file with the State a certified copy of this resolution. This resolution shall be considered by the State as a request for the Village to participate in the State of Ohio Purchasing Contract under ORC 125.04 and 5513.01. The Village agrees to be bound by such terms and conditions as the State prescribes and that the Village will directly pay the vendor under each purchase contract.

SECTION 3: This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed this ___ day of _____, 2016.

Mayor Thomas C. Muething

Attest:

Nicole Browder, Clerk of Council

I, Clerk of Council of Amberley Village, Ohio, certify that on the ____ day of _____, 2016, the forgoing Resolution was published pursuant to Article IX of the Home Rule Charter by posting true copies of said Resolution at all of the places of public notice as designed by Sec. 31.40(B), Code of Ordinances.

Nicole Browder, Clerk of Council