



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, November 26, 2013

Council Session

## Item G-10

**#2013-384 - Approving State Bid Award for (1) 2014 Ford Taurus  
for Fire Department**

Staff Contact: Cory Schmidt, Fire Chief

# **Council Agenda Memo**

**From:** Cory Schmidt, Fire Chief

**Meeting:** November 26, 2013

**Subject:** Purchase of Staff Car

**Item #'s:** G-10

**Presenter(s):** Cory Schmidt, Fire Chief

## **Background**

A 2002 Ford Explorer has been used by the Grand Island Fire Department for the past twelve years. The vehicle is used by department staff for daily operations and emergency response. Currently the vehicle has 80,085 miles and has started to experience miscellaneous maintenance issues.

City Council approved the purchase of a staff vehicle in the 2013-14 budget.

## **Discussion**

The Grand Island Fire Department would like to replace the 2002 Ford Explorer with a 2014 Ford Taurus with Council approval. The 2014 is a State bid vehicle with the all-wheel drive option added. The option was requested due to the need for department staff to operate in any weather condition. The State bid price was \$18,124. The all-wheel drive option price was \$7,595. Total cost will be \$25,719. The State bid is contract number 13645 OC and is from Anderson Ford, Lincoln, Mercury, and Mazda of Lincoln, NE. The amount budgeted was \$28,000.

The Fire Department currently operates a similar Taurus and has experienced good fuel economy and dependability compared to the Explorer.

## **Alternatives**

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand. The Council may:

1. Move to approve
2. Refer the issue to a Committee

3. Postpone the issue to future date
4. Take no action on the issue

### **Recommendation**

City Administration recommends that the Council approves the purchase of a 2014 Ford, Taurus utilizing State bid from Anderson Ford in Lincoln, NE for the amount of \$25,719.

### **Sample Motion**

Move to approve the purchase of the 2014 Ford Taurus for use by the Grand Island Fire Department.

RESOLUTION 2013-384

WHEREAS, the City Council approved the replacement of a staff car for the fire department in the 2013-14 budget; and

WHEREAS, the 2002 Ford Explorer is due to be replaced; and

WHEREAS, a 2014 Ford Taurus sedan may be purchased on State bid from Anderson Ford of Lincoln, NE for the amount of \$25,719.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, to allow the Grand Island Fire Department to purchase the 2014 Ford Taurus sedan for use by department staff from Anderson Ford of Lincoln utilizing State bid contract number 13645 OC for the amount of \$25,719.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, November 26, 2013.

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Jay Vavricek, Mayor

Attest:

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form	☐ _____
November 22, 2013	☐ City Attorney