



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, August 14, 2012

Council Session

## Item G15

**#2012-210 - Approving Purchase of a 2013 Ford Taurus on State Contract for the Fire Department**

Staff Contact: Russ Blackburn

# Council Agenda Memo

**From:** Russ Blackburn, Interim Fire Chief  
**Meeting:** August 14, 2012  
**Subject:** Purchase of Staff Car  
**Item #'s:** G-15  
**Presenter(s):** Russ Blackburn, Interim Fire Chief

## Background

A 1999 Ford Taurus Wagon has been the Fire Chief's staff vehicle for the past thirteen years. The Taurus wagon has recently developed a wiring problem to the rear taillights. The Taurus wagon currently has 57,206 miles on it.

City council appropriated the funds for a staff vehicle to replace the Taurus Wagon in the 2012 budget.

## Discussion

We would like to replace the 1999 Ford Taurus Wagon with a 2013 Ford Taurus 4-door sedan with City Council's approval. The 2013 Taurus is a State bid vehicle with one option added. The option added was all-wheel-drive. This option will help the Fire Chief to get around in winter conditions. The State bid is from Anderson Ford, Lincoln, Mercury, Mazda of Lincoln, NE. The State bid price was \$19,730.00 and with the all-wheel-drive added it comes to \$23,513.00. The amount budgeted for this purchase was \$26,000. Estimated delivery of the vehicle will be eight weeks after the purchase is approved by Council. The 1999 Taurus Wagon will be removed from the Fire Department fleet and sold at auction.

## 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 approve the purchase of the 2013 Ford Taurus Sedan for use in the Fire Department as the Fire Chief's staff vehicle.

### **Sample Motion**

Move to approve the purchase of the 2013 Ford Taurus Sedan for use in the Fire Department as the Fire Chief's staff vehicle in the amount of \$23,513.00.

RESOLUTION 2012-210

WHEREAS, the City Council approved the replacement of a staff car for the Fire Department in the 2012 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Chief's 1999 Taurus Wagon staff car is due to be replaced; and

WHEREAS, a 2013 Ford Taurus Sedan may be purchased on State bid from Anderson Ford of Lincoln, NE in the amount of \$23,513.00 which is less than the budget estimate of \$26,000.00, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, to allow the Fire Department to purchase the 2013 Ford Taurus Sedan for use as the Fire Chief's staff car from Anderson Ford, of Lincoln, as the State bid supplier in the amount of \$23,513.00..

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, August 14, 2012.

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Jay Vavricek, Mayor

Attest:

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Brenda Sutherland, Acting City Clerk

Approved as to Form	☒ _____
August 16, 2012	☒ City Attorney