

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE:	Tuesday, July 8, 2025
TO:	CITY COUNCIL
WRITTEN BY:	Police Captain Radich
RECOMMENDED BY:	POLICE CHIEF ZAMORA
APPROVED BY:	TAMARA VIDES, CITY MANAGER
SUBJECT:	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF TWO (2) NEW PATROL VEHICLES FROM WATSONVILLE FORD; AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$117,000.00

RECOMMENDATION:

The City Council adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager or her designee to purchase two (2) new patrol vehicles from Watsonville Ford, in the amount of \$117,000.00, from the General Fund – Patrol Vehicle Replacement account #150-901-7805-15236.

BACKGROUND:

The Police Department has an aging fleet, about half of which has exceeded its anticipated service life. New patrol vehicles have been a challenge to acquire due to the high demand for them nationwide and low availability.

DISCUSSION:

The two (2) new patrol vehicles would replace two current patrol vehicles, each with an excess of 125,000 miles on them. Watsonville Ford has two (2) new Ford Police Interceptor SUVs that are ready for immediate delivery. Watsonville Ford is a Sourcewell vendor for Ford Police Vehicles (Contract #095121-NAF).

The Police Department recommends the purchase of two (2) new patrol vehicles, as they will be more reliable and assist with reducing the costs of repairs to two (2) existing high-mileage patrol vehicles.

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) DETERMINATION:

Approving the purchase of two (2) new 2025 Ford Police Interceptor Sport Utility Vehicles, does not meet CEQA's definition of a "project", because the action does not have the potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

Public Safety

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The purchase of these patrol vehicles is budgeted within the FY25/26 General Fund – Patrol Vehicle Replacement (Account #150-901-7805-15236).

ALTERNATIVE ACTION:

The City Council may choose to deny this purchase at this time; however, such action could increase the repair costs of the two (2) current patrol vehicles that would be replaced by this recommended purchase.

ATTACHMENTS AND/OR REFERENCES (IF ANY):

1) Watsonville Ford Quote SGB53340 – June 2025