CITY OF ALBANY CITY COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT

Agenda Date: December 7, 2020

Reviewed by: NA

SUBJECT: Support Vehicle Purchase

REPORT BY: John Geissberger, Chief of Police

SUMMARY

The police department has been leasing a 2016 Ford Fusion Hybrid support vehicle since January 29, 2016. The vehicle currently has low miles, is in excellent working condition and meets our operation needs. The police department is seeking authorization to purchase this vehicle vs. replacing it with another leased vehicle to reduce the monthly interest costs associated with leasing the vehicle. The vehicle will be purchased using Citizens Option for Public Safety (COPS) grant funds, at a cost not to exceed \$6,200.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Council adopt Resolution No. 2020-117, approving the purchase of a 2016 Ford Fusion Hybrid vehicle utilizing Citizens Option for Public Safety (COPS) funds, at a price not to exceed \$6,200.

BACKGROUND

The police department utilizes support vehicles for detectives, support staff, patrol and command staff to carry out their duties. These vehicles are equipped with emergency equipment to allow staff to respond to calls for service, emergencies, natural disasters, meetings, investigations, transportation of evidence, and court.

State COPS grant program provides money to local police agencies for the purpose of enhancing public safety by supporting front line law enforcement.

DISCUSSION

The Police Department is recommending authorization to use COPS funds to purchase a 2016 Ford Fusion Hybrid that is currently being leased and has a purchase buyout cost of \$6,036. With purchase fees the total purchase price should not exceed \$6,200.

ANALYSIS

The City of Albany's Climate Action and Adaptation Plan calls for purchasing of efficient vehicles and since this vehicle is a hybrid it meets the operational requirement and needs of the police department as well as contributes to the goals of the Albany Climate Action and Adaptation Plan.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT

The 2016 Ford Fusion allows the gas engine of the vehicle to shut off during idle, increasing fuel efficiency and reducing overall greenhouse gas emissions. This vehicle is estimated to achieve 44 miles per gallon city and 41 miles per gallon highway.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

A total not to exceed \$6,200 is required to be appropriated from COPS grant funds for the purchase of this support vehicle.

Attachments

1. Resolution No. 2020-117