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City Council

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TITLE:

Purchase of Two Pre-Owned Law Enforcement Motorcycles

FROM:

George Crum, Chief of Police

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the purchase of two, pre-owned 2009 Honda ST1300 law enforcement motorcycles from the City of Beaumont for the total purchase price of \$15,000 pursuant to Cathedral City Municipal Code Section 3.12.270.G

BACKGROUND:

Due to budgetary difficulties over the last several years, the City of Beaumont decided to eliminate the Motorcycle Traffic Division of the Beaumont Police Department. The City of Beaumont is currently selling two fully equipped, low mileage law enforcement touring motorcycles at below suggested retail value that were previously a part of that Traffic Division.

Currently, the Cathedral City Police Department (CCPD) Motorcycle/Traffic Division (re-established in 2015 with the assistance of a 2015 Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians donation towards the costs of re-implementing the Division) consists of two, full-time Police Officers with a third Motor Sergeant overseeing the Division and providing field time when necessary and for special events. The CCPD motorcycle fleet currently consists of two, 2012 Kawasaki motorcycles, which the two Officers ride, and two, 2006 BMW motorcycles, one of which is basically inoperable due to continual costly maintenance issues and one used sporadically by the Sergeant and intentionally kept operational in order to not "seize" mechanical components.

DISCUSSION:

Keeping four motorcycles in the motorcycle fleet allows for three Officers to be in the field, and one motorcycle on hand as a replacement or spare motorcycle should one of the three be down for repairs or temporarily inoperable for any other reason. Because of the continual and costly maintenance issues plaguing both of the BMW motorcycles, it would be in the best interest of the Department to replace these with the Honda motorcycles and use the proceeds from selling the

BMW's at auction, to offset the cost of the Honda's purchase.

The Motorcycle/Traffic Division is a viable and necessary component of the Cathedral City Police Department, and has far exceeded the expectations that were imposed in re-establishing this Division, and it is the hope of this Department to expand this Division of CCPD in the future.

Pursuant to Cathedral City Municipal Code 3.12.270.G, secondhand, previously owned, demonstrator, "executive cars," or used merchandise may be purchased without competitive bidding under procedures established by the city manager which assure that a variety of sources are considered, when feasible. For any proposed purchase, the cost of which will be in excess of five thousand dollars, approval of the utilization of such process by the City Council shall be required in advance.

Attached is the advertisement flyer issued by the City of Beaumont, providing a full description of the two, 2009 Honda ST1300 motorcycles

FISCAL IMPACT:

The total cost of the fully-equipped motorcycles will be expensed to the Equipment Replacement Fund in the amount of \$15,000.00, plus sales tax and fees associated with the title transfer process, with an offset of revenue derived from the sale of the BMW motorcycles.

ATTACHMENTS:

City of Beaumont Advertisement Flyer