

CITY OF GREAT FALLS, MONTANA

AGENDA # 17

AGENDA REPORT

DATE September 6, 2005

ITEM: SIX NEW 2006 POLICE PURSUIT VEHICLES

INITIATED BY: PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

ACTION REQUESTED: REJECT BID

PRESENTED BY: JIM REARDEN, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Commission reject the bid for six new 2006 Police Pursuit Vehicles.

MOTION:

I move that the City Commission reject the bid for six new 2006 Police Pursuit Vehicles.

SYNOPSIS:

The specifications were advertised three times in the Great Falls Tribune and mailed to six prospective bidders. The only bid, submitted by Ronan Auto Body of Ronan Montana, was opened on August 17, 2005. Ronan Auto Body's bid was \$148,908 for the six new pursuit vehicles requested.

The budget for the purchase of six new 2006 pursuit vehicles is \$129,400 resulting in a \$19,508 budget shortfall to purchase the pursuit vehicles bid by Ronan Auto Body. Staff recommends rejecting the bid for police pursuit vehicles. Staff will review the bid specifications and research other purchasing options including a joint purchase with the State of Montana.

BACKGROUND:

The six new pursuit vehicles are replacements for six 2002 model pursuit vehicles averaging 90,000 miles each. They will be used by the Police Department. Funds for their purchase are provided in the FY 2005-2006 Central Garage Budget.

cc: Bob Jones, Police Chief

**POLICE PURSUIT VEHICLES
BIDDERS LIST**

1. City Motor Company
ATTN: Ivan Holland
P.O. Box 6727
Great Falls MT 59406

2. Bison Motors
ATTN: John Johnson
500 10th Avenue South
Great Falls MT 59405

3. Bennett Pontiac GMC Subaru
ATTN: Scott Millard
#26 9th Street South
Great Falls MT 59405

4. Pierce's Dodge City
ATTN: Curtiss Quist
P.O. Box 6750
Great Falls MT 59406

5. Haggarty Chrysler Plymouth
ATTN: Scott Smartt
815 1st Avenue North
Great Falls MT 59401

6. Ronan Auto Body & Sales
ATTN: Dick Wunderlich
Box T
Ronan MT 59864