

**AGENDA ITEM:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE:** 8/18/2014

**CITY OF CASA GRANDE  
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

<b>Date Submitted:</b> 7/17/2014	<b>Date Requested:</b> 8/18/2014
<b>Type of Action Requested</b>	<b>Subject</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resolution <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/> Formal Action/Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<b>Request to purchase GOHS Funded Traffic Unit Vehicle - Fully Marked 4X4 Pickup</b>

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the Mayor and City Council authorize purchase of a dedicated Traffic Unit specialty vehicle for the Police Department in an amount not to exceed \$47,000 utilizing Governor's Office of Highway Safety grant funds and authorizing all associated budget transfers.

**DISCUSSION:**

If approved, Federal 402 funds will be used to support the capital outlay purchase of One (1) fully marked police package 4x4 Pick-up Truck to enhance the overall effectiveness of the traffic unit and to assist in its effort in supporting the GOHS STEP/Speed initiatives (selective traffic enforcement program/radar enforcement) in rural areas of the city.

This vehicle will be assigned to the Traffic Enforcement Unit and used to assist the Vehicular Crimes Unit Investigator by providing a much needed storage solution for the specialty equipment used when responding to serious injury and fatal accidents occurring within this jurisdiction. Additionally, the vehicle may be used by specially trained Traffic Unit personnel (CAIT Officers) to assist in supporting GOHS funded DUI enforcement details in the city.

Staff received four bids for this vehicle. Our local vendor, Glenn Jones Ford was not the low bidder. However, they are the only bidder that can meet the delivery requirements for placing this vehicle in service by September 30, 2014 as established by the granting agency, GOHS. The other three bidders are unable to provide a purchase agreement that will deliver the vehicle by a date to allow the City to meet the grant deadline. The Vehicle must be delivered, fully up-fitted and in service by September 30, 2014.

While the grant mentions a Fully marked Police Package 4X4 Pickup, note that there are no "pursuit rated" police 4x4 pickup trucks in existence and that terminology applies to the additional paint scheme markings and accessory equipment needed to complete the up-fit. The total amount needed should not exceed \$10,000 as the department is planning to use existing equipment we have in stock removed from other police vehicles that have been removed from our fleet.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The grant award of \$47,000 will be used to cover the purchase of the Truck from Glenn Jones Ford at the bid price of \$31,544. The balance of the grant funds will be used to complete the up-fit of the vehicle. Grant funds will be used on all up-fit equipment purchased after the grant contract date of June 6, 2014. There is no matching fund requirement for this grant and all funds will be expended by September 30, 2014. Budget authority for these grant funds will be transferred from unanticipated revenue/expenditure accounts in fund 220 to Project #1543 (expenditure account 220-20-614-4610-00).

Reviewed by  
Finance Director:     *Doug Sandstrom*    

Reviewed by  
City Attorney:     *Brett Wallace*    

**ALTERNATIVES:**

Deny this purchase request. This would push this request into the next grant cycle if those funds are available at that time.

Prepared by:

Recommended by:

Approved by:

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Police Chief

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