

Speaking Points: 11/7/23 Board Meeting

Item

Approve Purchase of Vehicle Utilizing Ford Automobiles, Sport Utility Vehicles, Passenger & Light Duty Vans Contract (B200417BAG)

- Approval of this item permits the IT Departments to purchase the following vehicles:
 - Four Explorer SUV's. These are all new vehicles for the IT Dept., Spec #24-018 to #24-021 – **total estimated cost of \$152,739.52.**

- Fleet Replacement Strategy considers three different equipment life cycles:
 - Service Life- The amount of time the vehicle is capable of rendering service.
 - Technological Life- The relative productivity decline of the unit when compared with newer models on the market.
 - Economic Life -Relates to the total stream of costs associated with the unit over a period of time.

- Equipment Replacement Priorities are driven by a point system that considers the following assessment criteria:
 - Age
 - Mileage/Hours
 - Mechanical Assessment
 - Reliability
 - Maintenance & Repair Costs
 - Severity of Service

- Fleet works collaboratively with departments to assess program needs and rightsizing equipment.

- Proposed purchase to add these new vehicles to the fleet is needed for the following reasons:
 - IT Department is hiring additional in-house staff and therefore will need vehicles for staff to respond to daily IT work-orders at various work sites throughout Lee County.

- Funds from FY 24 IT Department Capital dollars will be utilized for these purchases.

