



Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request

2H
Agenda Item #

Requested Meeting Date: August 22, 2017

Title of Item: Approve Vehicle Purchase - County Assessor's Office

<input type="checkbox"/> REGULAR AGENDA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CONSENT AGENDA <input type="checkbox"/> INFORMATION ONLY	Action Requested: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approve/Deny Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Adopt Resolution (attach draft)	<input type="checkbox"/> Direction Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Item <input type="checkbox"/> Hold Public Hearing* <small>*provide copy of hearing notice that was published</small>
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Submitted by: Mike Dangers	Department: County Assessor
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Presenter (Name and Title):	Estimated Time Needed:
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Summary of Issue:
Please see attached memo for details.

Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments:
Not passing motion to purchase vehicle will result in a costly repair to a 15 year old county vehicle.

Recommended Action/Motion:
Please pass motion to approve purchase of vehicle.

Financial Impact:
 Is there a cost associated with this request? Yes No
 What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$ 12,900
 Is this budgeted? Yes No *Please Explain:*



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MEMO

August 11, 2017

To: County Board of Commissioners
Jessica Seibert, County Administrator

From: Mike Dangers, County Assessor

Re: Vehicle Purchase

The County Assessor's Office is scheduled to replace two appraiser vehicles in 2017. We have not replaced a vehicle since 2014. The Office currently has a 4-wheel drive vehicle for each field appraiser. Vehicles like this are used to better access remote areas of the County, especially in the winter months. Our workload does not allow the appraisers to complete the assessment field work earlier in the year. Many other counties in Northern Minnesota also provide these types of vehicles for their staff.

Written quotes were requested from local dealerships and both Aitkin Motors and Brandl responded. I requested quotes for small sport-utility type vehicles with 4-wheel drive that would be near 50% of the budget of \$28,000 or \$14,000. Please see the summarized list of written quotes received below:

1. 2009 Chevrolet Silverado Pickup with 144,546 miles for \$14,825
2. 2013 Nissan Rogue SUV with 82,936 miles for \$13,925
3. 2015 Nissan Rogue SUV with 49,718 miles for \$20,725
4. 2012 Ford Escape SUV with 86,506 miles for \$12,995
5. 2010 Mercury Mountaineer SUV with 85,785 miles for \$14,995
6. 2013 Ford Escape SUV with 61,902 miles for \$14,995
7. 2013 Ford Escape SUV with 78,521 miles for \$15,995
8. 2011 Ford Explorer SUV with 92,156 miles for \$17,995
9. 2015 Ford Escape SUV with 7,602 miles for \$19,995

I recommend the purchase of #4 above which is the lowest priced vehicle quote we received. We currently have a 2012 Ford Escape and it works well for our purposes. The amount of mileage on this

vehicle is more than what is ideal but the reliability of the higher mileage vehicles in recent years is better than in the past.

This vehicle replaces a 2002 Ford Escape with mechanical issues. We intend to sell this vehicle on the State surplus property website in the near future.

The total price of this vehicle is \$12,900 including title and license fees. Please pass a motion to authorize this purchase and contact me with any questions. Thank you.