



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting June 24, 2025

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Purchase of one Ford F-150 Police Responder for the Corpus Christi Police Department

CAPTION:

Motion authorizing the purchase of one replacement 2024 Ford F-150 Police Responder from Silsbee Ford, of Silsbee, Texas, through the TIPS Cooperative, for a total amount of \$51,397.53 to be used by the Corpus Christi Police Department for the Operation Stonegarden Program (drug and human trafficking), with FY 2025 funding in the amount of \$50,000.00 available through the Police Grants Fund and \$1,397.53 from the General Fund.

SUMMARY:

This motion authorizes the purchase of one replacement 2024 Ford F-150 Police Responder from Silsbee Ford through the TIPS Cooperative. The replacement Ford F-150 Police Responder will be used by the Corpus Christi Police Department for law enforcement operations relating to the Operation Stonegarden Program.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

Each year the City applies for and receives grant funds from the Texas Governor's Homeland Security Grant's Division for the Corpus Christi Police Department's (CCPD) participation in the Operation Stonegarden Program. The Operation Stonegarden Program focuses on law enforcement operations relating to drug and human trafficking.

For FY 2025, the City received \$247,669.00 in grant funding for the Operation Stonegarden Program. As planned, CCPD is using \$50,000 of the FY 2025 Operation Stonegarden Program grant funding for the purchase of one replacement 2024 Ford F-150 Police Responder for law enforcement activities relating to

the Operation Stonegarden Program.

The replacement Ford F-150 Police Responder unit will replace the previous police unit that was used for law enforcement activities relating to the Operation Stonegarden Program. The previous police unit had exceeded its useful service life and was sold due to severe rust damage which rendered it unsafe and unserviceable for continued law enforcement use.

Specifically, CCPD will use the replacement Ford F-150 Police Responder to conduct interdiction operations individually and in conjunction with federal, state, and local partners as part of the Operation Stonegarden Program. The operations will be focused along routes of ingress and egress, both on state and local highways, to include SH44, SH77, SH181.

This replacement Ford F-150 is not part of the 75 police vehicles purchase that was approved as part of the FY 2025 Budget. Instead, the funds to purchase the replacement Ford F-150 are coming from grant funds that were awarded by the FY 2025 Operation Stonegarden Program grant. The grant funding from the FY 2025 Operation Stonegarden Program grant included \$50,000 to be specifically used for the purchase of this replacement vehicle. The remaining \$1,397.53 will come from the General Fund.

PROCUREMENT DETAIL:

This procurement is through the TIPS Cooperative. Contracts awarded through the cooperative have been competitively procured in compliance with Texas Local and State procurement requirements.

Procurement has modified their business practices for a proactive approach to the City's vehicle procurement process. The modified business practice uses all resources available to ensure that vehicles and equipment are sourced and delivered in a timely manner while using economically favorable methods.

Both TIPS Cooperative and the BuyBoard Cooperative provided quotes for the replacement Ford F-150 Responder. The TIPS Cooperative pricing is \$51,397.53, while the BuyBoard Cooperative pricing is \$57,164.73. Below is a table that provides the cost comparison between the TIPS Cooperative and the BuyBoard Cooperative.

Cooperative	Price	Variance \$	Variance %
TIPS	\$51,397.53	-\$5,762.20	-10%
BuyBoard	\$57,164.73		

In addition to better pricing, the TIPS Cooperative currently has the Ford F-150 Police Responder unit available and will deliver it to the City within 30 days of purchase. The BuyBoard Cooperative does not currently have the Ford F-150 Police Responder Unit available and would instead have to submit an order to Ford once a purchase is made. Once the purchase is made, the vehicle will then have to be built, with an estimated delivery timeline of four to six months.

ALTERNATIVES:

The alternative is not to approve this purchase and instead continue to have one less officer able to conduct law enforcement activities relating to the Operation Stonegarden Program. However, this will affect CCPD's ability to meet required metrics under the program which will negatively impact the City's ability to continue received funding from the annual Operation Stonegarden Program Grant.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The FY 2025 fiscal impact of this purchase totals \$51,397.53, with \$50,000 coming from the FY 2025 Police Grants Fund and \$1,397.53 coming from the FY 2025 General Fund.

FUNDING DETAIL:

Fund Name	Accounting Unit	Account No.	Activity	Amount
Police Grants Fund	1061-29-89	550020	822724F	\$50,000.00
General Fund	1020-29-11740	550020	N/A	\$1,397.53
Total				\$51,397.53

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the purchase of one replacement 2024 Ford F-150 Police Responder from Silsbee Ford, of Silsbee, Texas, through the TIPS Cooperative, for a total amount of \$51,397.53 to be used by the Corpus Christi Police Department for the Operation Stonegarden Program, as presented.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Price Sheet