



City of Plantation
City Council Chambers

Subject:

Remount and Refurbish of a 2019 Horton Ambulance onto a a 2026 International MV 607 Chassis

Summary:

Requesting authorization and approval of the following:

Authorization and approval of a competitive procurement exemption pursuant to section 2-226(g)(5) of the City's code, and utilization of the pricing/costing structure identified in Florida Sheriff's Association Contract No. FSA25-VEF19.0 (Fire & Rescue Vehicles, Boats & Equipment).

Authorization and approval to issue a purchase order and process a payment(s) to Ten-8 Fire & Safety, LLC for the "Remount and Refurbish of a 2019 Horton Ambulance onto a a 2026 International MV 607 Chassis", as further outlined in the attached quotation for the amount of \$295,433.00

Procurement:

Notwithstanding the obvious benefit served by having all purchases submitted to competitive procurement, circumstances can arise when the City determines there is no need for the City to seek competitive procurement. In such cases the City shall seek a waiver of the competitive procurement process. The Procurement and Fire Department is requesting approval of a "competitive procurement exemption/wavier" pursuant to Sec. 2-226(g)(5) of the City's Code.

The Plantation Fire Department is requesting the use of Florida Sheriffs Association Contract No. FSA25-VEF19.0 for the "Remount and Refurbish of a 2019 Horton Ambulance onto a a 2026 International MV 607 Chassis", as further outlined in the attached quotation.

Florida Sheriff's Association Contract No. FSA25-VEF19.0 (Fire & Rescue Vehicles, Boats & Equipment) complies with our City Code regarding aforementioned competitive procurement exemption. Florida Sheriffs Association Contract is set to expire March 31, 2027.

Based on the foregoing, the Procurement and Fire Department requests authorization and approval of the following:

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Background:

The current rescue truck chassis has experienced ongoing mechanical and electrical issues that have negatively impacted its reliability and operational readiness. The vehicle frequently displays multiple warning and fault codes on the dashboard, indicating potential system failures. Despite extensive diagnostic efforts by two authorized service dealers, neither dealer has been able to identify or permanently correct the root cause of these recurring issues.

Due to the inability to diagnose and repair the problem, the vehicle remains at risk of unexpected breakdowns and reduced performance during emergency response operations. Continued use of an unreliable rescue vehicle creates a significant risk to firefighter safety, public safety, and the department's ability to provide timely emergency services.

The rescue body remains in good condition and continues to meet the operational needs of the department. Therefore, replacing only the chassis and remounting the existing rescue box onto a new chassis is the most cost-effective and fiscally responsible solution. This approach will restore vehicle reliability, reduce maintenance costs, minimize downtime, and extend the useful life of the existing rescue body while avoiding the substantially higher cost of purchasing an entirely new rescue truck.

The replacement chassis will provide a dependable platform for emergency operations, improve fleet reliability, and ensure the department maintains an operationally ready rescue vehicle capable of meeting the community's emergency response needs. Given the recurring unresolved mechanical and electrical issues, the inability of multiple service providers to identify a permanent repair, and the critical nature of emergency response apparatus, replacement of the chassis is justified and necessary.

This item is now ready for City Council consideration.

Funding:

001-4400-526-6401

Amount:

\$295,433.00

Finance Director/Budget Manager Recommendation:

The Fire Rescue Department's remount and refurbishment of a 2019 Horton ambulance onto a new 2026 International MV607 chassis is funded through the General Fund using Fund Balance assigned for Capital Improvements.

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ATTACHMENTS:

[FSA Contract.pdf](#)

[Plantation Remount Proposal 6-25-26.pdf](#)