



**CITY OF WASHINGTON, ILLINOIS**  
**Finance & Personnel Committee Agenda Communication**

**Meeting Date:** April 19, 2021

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**Agenda Item:** Canine Car Purchase

**Explanation:** With the addition of a canine unit through donations from the Zimmerman Family, we are in need of a canine car. We have located a suitable car, currently available on the lot through state bid. We do not expect the car to stay available long, given the short supply of vehicles and estimated 6-month build times. The state bid price of the vehicle is \$37,485 (2021 Ford Explorer Police Interceptor) plus \$300 for delivery to Washington. We have the funds available and discussed vehicle needs with Keith Zimmerman before he passed. The funds Mr. Zimmerman donated are limited to use for our canine program.

The vehicle is not available through a local dealer.

The vehicle comes with some factory-installed equipment, and we will complete equipping the vehicle in FY 21-22.

**Fiscal Impact:** This purchase is not in the current budget, but does not impact the City General Fund or any taxpayer fund. The purchase is funded entirely through donated, restricted-use money intended specifically for the canine program. Any adjustment to the budget would be pro forma.

**Action Requested:** Finance Committee approval and recommendation to the full Council for approval to immediately purchase this 2021 Ford Explorer from Morrow Brothers Ford for an amount not to exceed \$37,485.00 plus \$300.00 for delivery to Washington. (\$37,785.00).