

**INDIAN RIVER COUNTY
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
PURCHASING DIVISION**

DATE: June 29, 2023

TO: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

THROUGH: John Titkanich, Jr., County Administrator
Kristin Daniels, Director, Office of Management and Budget

FROM: Jennifer Hyde, Purchasing Manager

SUBJECT: Purchase of Trucks for Parks Division

BACKGROUND:

On June 20, 2023, the Board approved a Budget Amendment, which included two replacement vehicles for the Parks Division, at a total allocation of \$84,532. This amount was based on quotes received from Mike Maroone Chevrolet (“Maroone”) in West Palm Beach, the only dealership staff had been able to locate with available inventory.

On Tuesday, June 27, 2023, Maroone reached out to staff and indicated the trucks were still available, and would be held for us, if payment was made by the end of June. Maroone does not have any municipal agreements in place that could be used to facilitate the purchase. Staff continues to be unable to find any available inventory from dealerships with State or other cooperative contracts.

In order to fill this need, and as all agencies throughout the state continue to struggle with vehicle and other product availability, the County Administrator authorized the purchase of the trucks from Maroone. With the Administrator’s support and coordination among the Parks and Purchasing Divisions, and Budget and Finance Departments, a Purchase Order was issued and a check printed and delivered to Maroone in time. The vehicles are expected to be delivered the week of July 3, 2023.

The purchase of the vehicles without bid, or utilization of a piggyback or other cooperative contract, requires ratification by the Board, as the total cost of the two trucks is \$84,532, exceeding the County Administrator’s \$75,000 authority, as established in Section 105.01, Indian River County Code.

FUNDING

Funds, in the amount of \$84,532 were expended from the General Fund, Parks Division, Automotive Expense Account, # 00121072-066420, on Purchase Order 96500.

Account	Name	Amount
00121072-066420	General/Parks/Automotive	\$84,532

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Board authorize the waiver of the requirement for bids for trucks from Mike Maroone Chevrolet, made on its behalf by the County Administrator.