



# MEMORANDUM

Council Agenda  
Item No. IX. G  
8/29/2023

## The City of OKLAHOMA CITY

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Craig Freeman, City Manager

Resolution waiving formal competitive bidding and authorizing the open market purchase of vehicles not available on the State contract (OM24-C248037), estimated cost \$500,000, August 29, 2023 through August 28, 2024.

### **Purpose:**

To provide various City Departments and Trusts access to vehicles that are readily available to purchase that are not included under existing annual pricing agreements/contracts. Continuing global supply chain and manufacturing disruptions are creating unforeseen delays in the City's ability to purchase necessary frontline vehicles for various departments and functions.

### **Background:**

On November 11, 2022 (Item No. IX.L) the City Council authorized the purchase of vehicles from State Contract (S23-SW268035), estimated cost \$15,000,000, December 8, 2022 through December 7, 2023.

Due to the continued unprecedented supply chain issues resulting from the pandemic, most contracted vendors do not have available inventory that was awarded under the State's contract but may have limited inventory of on-site passenger vehicles of comparable size. Major auto manufactures are not currently taking orders for 2023 fleet vehicles and have been forced to cancel some existing orders due to not being able to meet the demand. Deliveries are currently delayed at an average of six months before 2024 vehicles become open for ordering from existing contracts.

Whenever possible, Departments will be required to obtain three informal competitive bids or provide single source justification, prior to purchasing a vehicle(s) under this open market authority.

Staff requests Council approve this resolution waiving formal competitive bidding and authorizing the open market purchase of vehicles not available on the State contract (OM24-C248037), estimated cost \$500,000, August 29, 2023, through August 28, 2024.

### **Estimated Cost:**

\$500,000

**Source of Funds:**

Various funds and accounts

**Review:**

Finance Department

**Recommendation:** Resolution be adopted.