

TO: Mayor Althoff and City Council

FROM: Jeffrey L. McCormick, Chief of Police

SUBJECT: Disposal of Forfeited Vehicles

DATE: July 10, 2019

BACKGROUND

The Police Department has been awarded several vehicles that were seized for forfeiture. The vehicles fit into two categories, sellable or junk. Of course a vehicle that is believed to be sellable may move to the junk category if we find it is not safe to operate. We utilize the State Auction for the sale of sellable vehicles. In the past we have found that the price received was much better there than taking bids for the vehicles. Vehicles that will not start or are operationally unsafe are junked for parts or destroyed and not to be reregistered. I request approval to dispose of the following vehicles as best determined by our assessment of the vehicle. The proceeds will be deposited into our forfeiture account for use as provided by State Statute.

- 1997 Ford Taurus – 5th Degree Controlled Substance
- 1993 Oldsmobile Cutlass – 1st Degree DWI
- 1998 Honda Motorcycle – 2nd Degree DWI

In the past before disposing of junk vehicles we have checked with the Ambulance and Fire Departments to see if they can use any of the vehicles for training purposes before they are junked. We plan to do the same thing with any of the vehicles above that are determined to be junk.

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION

Motion and approval of the disposal of vehicles listed above as described.