

TO: Mayor Althoff and City Council

FROM: Jeffrey L. McCormick, Chief of Police

SUBJECT: Disposal of Vehicles

DATE: June 28, 2022

BACKGROUND

The Police Department impound vehicles connected to use in crimes or arrests. The majority are subject to a forfeiture action. The vehicles fit into two categories, sellable or junk. The Police Department utilizes 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 when reading them for auction are placed into the junk category and disposed of as junk for parts or destroyed and not to be reregistered.

The Police Department has been awarded the following vehicles that were seized for forfeiture. 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.

- 1999 Buick Regal – Fleeing a Peace Officer
- 1973 Honda CB Motorcycle – DUI
- 2006 Chrysler T&C Van – DUI Refusal
- 2012 Chevrolet Silverado – DUI/DL Restrictions
- 1991 Yamaha ATV – DUI
- Homemade Motorized Bicycle – DUI

There is also abandoned vehicles to be disposed of as junk. The registered owners were notified repeatedly to retrieve the vehicles but they did not. When the vehicles were not picked up, certified notices to claim the vehicles were sent but the vehicles were not claimed. Any proceeds will be deposited into the general fund account.

- 2007 GMC Envoy – Abandoned Property
- 2002 Dodge Intrepid – Abandoned Property

As in the past before disposing of junk vehicles we will check with the Ambulance and Fire Departments to see if they can use any of the vehicles for training purposes before they are junked.

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION

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