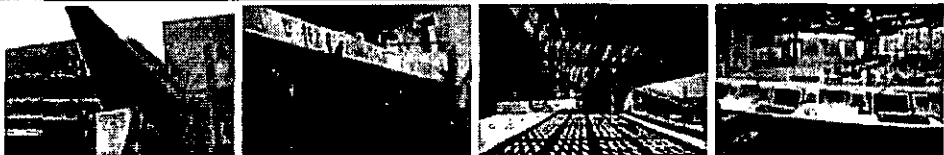


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# AGENDA



Thursday, September 28, 2006

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**Purchasing Office**  
**RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

**ITEM No. 53**

**Subject:** Authorize award and execution of a contract through the HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (HGAC), with CALDWELL COUNTRY CHEVROLET, Caldwell, TX, for the purchase of three police utility vehicles in an amount not to exceed \$92,175.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Approved Vehicle Acquisition Fund of the Financial and Administrative Services Department.

**Fiscal Note:** There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

**Additional Backup Material**  
(click to open)  
No Attachments Available

**For More Information:** Ron Mazzarella, Fleet Buyer/974-2837

**Purchasing Language:** Cooperative Purchase.

*This contract is for three replacement Chevrolet Tahoe police utility vehicles that will be assigned to the Austin Police Department. Two of these vehicles are equipped with light bars, sirens, and prisoner cages, and will be used as regular patrol vehicles. The third vehicle will be assigned to the Explosives Ordinance Division. It will carry a robot and other equipment designed to deactivate live explosive devices.*

All three replacement vehicles have met the Fleet Officer's eligibility criteria for replacement. Fleet Service Center Managers have inspected each vehicle to be replaced, and have determined that the mileage of the vehicles proposed for replacement cannot be increased without risking a significant increase in repair costs and loss of productivity due to down time.

Caldwell Country Dodge is under contract with HGAC to supply vehicles statewide as a result of a competitive bidding process. Utilizing the HGAC contract provides for volume discount pricing as well as the earliest opportunity to get the City's vehicles in the manufacturer's order banks.