

# CITY of REPUBLIC

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## AGENDA ITEM STAFF ANALYSIS

**Project/Issue Name:** Discussion and Possible Vote to Approve Purchase of Police Vehicles

**Submitted By:** Mark F. Lowe, Police Chief

**Date:** December 8, 2006

### Issue Statement

To approve the purchase of three (3) new Police Vehicles needed for Patrol use.

### Discussion and/or Analysis

The Police Chief would like to purchase three (3) vehicles for patrol use. New vehicles will improve safety for our officers and the public in the delivery of service, and increase police availability and presence to meet community needs. The Dodge Charger achieved the top ranking of police vehicles in both the Michigan State Police Vehicle Tests and the Los Angeles County Police Vehicle Tests. These are comprehensive evaluations that police managers across the country use to determine which vehicles best meet their needs. We are evaluating the purchase of a non-police vehicle to be used in Detectives, as well as purchasing a crime scene camera, Mobile Data Terminals, and other investigative equipment with the remaining funds. The funds would be allocated from the 2006 L.E.S.T. installment payment.

### Recommended Action

Chief Lowe recommends approving the purchase of three new 2007 Dodge Charger Police vehicles for Patrol use, at the Missouri State bid price of \$24,997 each, for a total cost of \$74,991.