

## Memorandum

To: Livingston County Board of Commissioners

From: Greg Kellogg, Transportation Director

Date: 05/27/2025

Re: Resolution Authorizing a Replacement Vehicle Lease for the Sheriff Jail

**Division - Car Pool** 

The Livingston County Car Pool Department is requesting authorization to replace one (1) additional vehicle in the Sheriff Jail Division's fleet with a new lease from Enterprise Fleet Management.

The Jail's approved 2025 Auto Leasing budget included one new vehicle lease to replace an aging prisoner transport vehicle, and the department requested a 2025 Ford Explorer which was ordered last fall and delivered in April 2025. However, there was a misunderstanding about the configuration required to equip the vehicle for prisoner transport use, and upon inspection, the County's contracted equipment installation vendor determined that the Explorer will not accommodate a prisoner partition.

The vehicle can be returned to Enterprise for resale, but the County would likely incur a loss since the vehicle is now considered "used." Instead, the recommended solution is to retain the Explorer to replace a Jail administrative vehicle, a County-owned 2019 Durango with 70,000 miles and no payments remaining, that is scheduled for replacement in 2026 but currently meets replacement criteria. Moving ahead this replacement will not only lock in current-year pricing on the new vehicle but also result in higher sale proceeds for the vehicle being replaced.

An additional vehicle will need to be leased to fulfill the need for a replacement prisoner transport. Incidentally, Enterprise is in possession of an "unclaimed" 2025 Dodge Durango Pursuit that was originally ordered by another Enterprise customer but later cancelled. The Durango is available immediately at a discounted cost and is configured appropriately for the application.

The Durango will be on a 60-month lease term with an estimated lease payment of \$859 per month. The additional lease will increase the Jail's 2025 Auto Leasing expense by an estimated \$5,154 for 6 months of lease payments, and therefore a budget amendment will be necessary. All other operating costs are included in the Jail's 2025 budget. It is important to note that while the additional lease will increase costs for the Jail in the current budget year, this solution will result in significant savings for Livingston County taxpayers over the 60-month lease term.

As always, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me directly at 517-540-7843.