

RESOLUTION NO. 2026- 06

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF FAIRFIELD BAY
REGARDING APPROVAL OF PURCHASE OF NEW
VEHICLE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY;
APPROPRIATING FUNDS
FOR THE PURCHASE OF NEW VEHICLE,
PLUS OTHER EQUIPMENT FOR THE POLICE VEHICLE;
THANKING LEOKADIA "KADIE" MCELWAIN AND
HER FAMILY FOR DONATING FUNDS TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, The City of Fairfield Bay currently has a vehicle at the Department of Public Safety that is disabled and is no longer useful for Police Department purposes after a mechanical issue developed earlier this year; and

WHEREAS, The City did not budget the purchase of a new vehicle for the Police Department at the Department of Public Safety, but previously received donations from Leokadia "Kadie" McElwain for purchase of equipment at the Police Department, unappropriated funds, that may be used to help pay for a new vehicle; and

WHEREAS, Arkansas Code Annotated Section 14-58-303(b)(1)(B), provides that the Council may provide by Ordinance the procedure for making all purchases; and

WHEREAS, Arkansas Code Annotated Section 14-58-303(b)(2)(B) provides that the Council may waive requirements of competitive bidding in exceptional situations where this procedure is deemed not feasible or practical;


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF FAIRFIELD BAY, ARKANSAS:

1. The City Council finds and determines that a vendor authorized by the State of Arkansas has a 2025 Ford Interceptor Utility Vehicle available for purchase at a cost of \$43,895.00 (negotiated price), which would be appropriate for Police Department use.
2. The City Council finds that additional equipment from a vendor will be needed to make the 2025 Ford Interceptor Utility Vehicle suitable for use as a vehicle for the Fairfield Bay Police Department, in the amount of \$7,676.00; that graphics for the vehicle from a separate vendor will be \$485.00; and further that the Department itself will have to install additional equipment in the amount of \$1,050.00 (plus sales tax).
3. The City Council further finds that this vehicle will be suitable for "online" access to certain services at the cost of \$42.00 per month, and that this monthly amount needs

to be added to the Department's appropriation for the calendar year ending December 31, 2026.

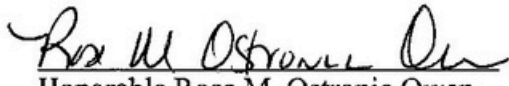
4. The Mayor, the Department of Public Safety, and the Police Department specifically, be, and they are hereby, AUTHORIZED AND APPROVED to Order a new motor vehicle, within budgetary constraints, not to exceed \$54,000.00 for vehicle, with the equipment, decals, and installation set forth above, for delivery in the 2026 calendar year.
5. The City Council hereby APPROPRIATES AND APPROVES expenditures of \$54,000.00 for a new police department vehicle, plus equipment on the police vehicle, and any other miscellaneous costs of dealer preparation and delivery, from unappropriated funds donated to the Police Department for equipment, and then from City General funds, previously unappropriated, and "anticipated" but unappropriated revenue that has actually been received to date. The Recorder-Treasurer is further authorized to utilize unappropriated revenue in the Franchise Tax account, to the extent that other funds are insufficient to meet the requirements. The City Council further APPROPRIATES AND APPROVES expenditures of \$42.00 per month (\$462.00 total) for online services and online access for the vehicle. An amendment to the 2026 Budget Ordinance, and an appropriation in the 2026 Budget, will be made separately, in accordance with the City's usual practice of amending the Budget by Ordinance at the end of the calendar year.
6. The Mayor, the Recorder-Treasurer, and the Chief of Police, be, and they are hereby, AUTHORIZED TO TAKE any and all appropriate actions necessary to order a new police department vehicle, and make appropriate arrangements for payment, delivery, and other administrative necessities, in accordance with this Resolution, for the calendar year ending December 31, 2026.
7. This authorization, and appropriation, is effective immediately following its approval by the City Council, and the expenditures may take place as the Recorder-Treasurer shall decide.
8. The City Council, the Mayor, the Chief of Police, and the City of Fairfield Bay take this opportunity to thank Kadie McElwain, and her family, for generous donations previously made to the City of Fairfield Bay for purchase of equipment at the Police Department. The City of Fairfield Bay has been able to fund City services and other purchases, in part because of the generosity of the City's residents, property owners, and visitors, like Ms. McElwain, who designated funds to help the City meet unexpected needs for the Police Department, and its officers.

IT IS SO RESOLVED AND APPROVED by the City Council for the City of Fairfield Bay, Arkansas, at a regular meeting on this 9th day of February, 2026.



Honorable Seth J. Connell
Mayor

Attest, a true and correct copy:



Honorable Rose M. Ostronic Owen
Recorder-Treasurer
City of Fairfield Bay

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