

TO: James L. App, City Manager
FROM: Dennis J. Cassidy, Chief of Police
SUBJ: Transfer ownership of Narcotics Task Force unit #638
DATE: September 19, 2006

NEEDS: For the City Council to consider accepting ownership of a Narcotics Task Force (NTF) vehicle used by the PRPD Officer assigned to the task force.

FACTS:

1. Unit #638 is an unmarked vehicle currently registered to the San Luis Obispo County NTF and used for Law enforcement duties by the PRPD officer assigned to the task force.
2. Unit #638 is currently maintained by the City of Paso Robles through the Police Department's budget.
3. For administrative and operational purposes, ownership and registration should be transferred to the City of Paso Robles.
4. Unit #638 is not currently in the city inventory and will not be added to the vehicle/equipment replacement fund. Replacement will continue to occur through the NTF asset forfeiture fund at this time.

ANALYSIS & CONCLUSION: The NTF currently has several law enforcement vehicles registered to them and used by agency personnel assigned to the task force. For administrative and operational purposes those vehicles should be owned and operated by the local jurisdictions rather than the NTF. All law enforcement agencies in the County are in the process of transferring ownership of vehicles driven by their employees to their respective cities.

REFERENCE: NTF Memorandum of Understanding and operational agreement.

FISCAL IMPACT: No new fiscal impact. Annual maintenance and fuel currently provided for in the PRPD budget.

OPTIONS:

1. Accept transfer of ownership of the NTF law enforcement vehicle unit #638.
2. Amend, modify or reject the above option.