# COUNTY DEPARTMENT AGENDA REQUEST

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| Department: | Finance | Presenter(s): | Ted Burgess |
| Meeting Date: | Thursday, May 28, 2009 | Type of Request: | Consent |

Wording for the Agenda:

Approval of the Vehicle Replacement Committee's recommendation to replace four Ford Crown Victoria's and related worn-out or obsolete equipment, used by the Sheriff's Department, Field Operations Division.

Background/History/Details:

Funds were appropriated in FY2009 to replace 11 vehicles within the Field Operations Division. To date, six vehicles have been replaced. The Sheriff's Department is requesting to replace four additional vehicles, all of which are Ford Crown Victoria's (VIN 116388, 126823, 126825, and 200646). They will be replaced with new Dodge Chargers. The eleventh vehicle has been surplused with no plans to replace at this time.

Fleet Maintenance has inspected the four Crown Victoria's. Based on their inspection, as well as the vehicles' age and mileage, the Vehicle Replacement Committee is recommending their replacement.

What action are you seeking from the Board of Commissioners?

Approval of the Vehicle Replacement Committee's recommendation to replace the four Ford Crown Victoria's and necessary vehicle emergency equipment.

If this item requires funding, please describe:

Not Applicable.

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| Has this issue come before the Commissioners in the past? | No | If so, when? | |
| Do you need audio-visual for the presentation? | No | Back-up Material Submitted? | Yes |

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| Approved by Finance | Yes | Reviewed by Legal | Yes |
| Approved by Purchasing | Yes | Approved by County Clerk | Yes |
| Administrator's Approval | Yes | | |

Staff Notes:

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To: Mary S. Holland

From: Ted L. Burgess

Date: May 7, 2009

Subject: Replacement of Four Crown Victoria's – Field Operations

For Fiscal Year 2009, the Sheriff's Department, Field Operations Division received an initial budget of $312,287 to replace 11 vehicles. To date, they have replaced six and delayed replacement of one. They are now proposing to replace the remaining four vehicles with new Dodge Chargers. The vehicles to be replaced are:

- **2003 Ford Crown Victoria, VIN 200646**: The vehicle has 103,163 miles on the odometer. The air conditioner needs replacement, and the interior is in poor condition.

- **2004 Ford Crown Victoria, VIN 116388**: This unit has been driven 101,325 miles. The transmission is slipping. The air conditioner is not expected to be effective this summer.

- **2004 Ford Crown Victoria, VIN 126823**: This vehicle has recorded 100,443 miles on the odometer. The transmission – this car's second – shifts hard and is beginning to slip. The steering control arm and other components need to be replaced.

- **2004 Ford Crown Victoria, VIN 126825**: This car has 111,047 miles on the odometer. It has a history of drive train problems, including the transmission, drive shaft and drive shaft bearings, and rear axle pinion. The air conditioning system stopped working and was repaired by salvaging parts from another surplus vehicle. Since the vehicle was damaged in a collision in January 2008, it has not been able to maintain proper front-end alignment.

Except for the radios, the emergency equipment in the above vehicles is worn out and must be replaced.

The Vehicle Replacement Committee has voted to recommend replacement of the four vehicles.