

ORDINANCE NO. 2006 - 18  
Authorization to Lease- Purchase Police Vehicles

**WHEREAS,** the City of Takoma Park desires to participate in a Baltimore County Contract to purchase nine police cruisers and related equipment and accessories; AND

**WHEREAS,** this is a Cooperative purchase and competitive bidding is not required; AND

**WHEREAS,** the vehicles that best meet the needs of the City's Police Department are Ford Crown Victorias; AND

**WHEREAS,** whereas this is the first step in expanding the police fleet to provide take home cars for police officers; AND

**WHEREAS,** lease purchasing these vehicles through the Ford Motor Company Municipal Lease-Purchase Plan is the most affordable way to accomplish the expansion of the fleet and replacement of existing vehicles; AND

**WHEREAS,** the City is desirous of providing take home cars to improve incentives for hiring and retaining qualified police officers; AND

**WHEREAS,** the adopted FY 06 Budget provides sufficient funding for the first year's lease payment in the amount of \$68,964.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND THAT:**

SECTION 1. The City Manager or designee is authorized to enter into a lease-purchase agreement with the Ford Motor Credit Company for nine Crown Victoria Police Cars in the amount of \$308,202 payable over five years, with \$68,964 being payable in FY 06.

SECTION 2. The City Manager or designee is authorized to establish a procedure to provide take home cars for police officers.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately.

**ADOPTED** this 1st day of May, 2006 by roll call vote as follows:

**AYE:** Porter, Austin-Lane, Barry, Clay, Elrich, Seamens, Williams

**NAY:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None