

**CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2007 - 44  
Authorization to Lease-Purchase Police Cruisers**

**WHEREAS,** the City of Takoma Park desires to participate in a Howard County Contract to purchase six 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 second 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 08 Budget provides sufficient funding for the first year's lease payment for six cruisers in the amount of \$49,321.22.

**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 six Crown Victoria Police Cars in the amount of \$220,028.84 payable over five years, with \$49,321.22 being payable in FY 08.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately.

ADOPTED this 10th day of September, 2007 by roll call vote as follows:

AYE: Porter, Austin-Lane, Barry, Clay, Seamens, Snipper, Williams  
NAY: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None