

SOUTHEAST METRO STORMWATER AUTHORITY  
acting by and through  
SEMSWA WATER ACTIVITY ENTERPRISE

RESOLUTION NO. 26, SERIES OF 2007  
(Authorization to Acquire Two Utility Vehicles and a Heavy Duty Pickup)

WHEREAS, SEMSWA purchased two utility vehicles, one light duty pickup truck and a VAC truck from Arapahoe County subsequent to Board approval, Resolution No. 9, Series of 2007; and

WHEREAS, the VAC truck is used for special situations, the pickup will be driven by a drainage crew member (soon to be hired), and the two utility vehicles will be driven by the BMP Project Manager/Inspector (Dan Olsen) and a Stormwater Inspector (Emery Strole); and

WHEREAS, there is a current need for two additional utility vehicles for a Stormwater Inspector (Jerry Hutchings) and the Remedial Program Manager (Jerry Rearick); and

WHEREAS, there is need in the Maintenance Program for one heavy duty pickup to be driven by a Drainage Crew Leader (Kevin Heck) that has the capacity to pull a dump trailer and a skid steer loader and to carry more than two maintenance crew members; and

WHEREAS, the vehicles that have been identified to best fill the needs as described above are two Ford 4WD Escapes and one Ford F-350 Super Duty 4x4 pickup truck; and

WHEREAS, because of the rising cost of fuel it is suggested that one of the Ford Escapes be a hybrid in order to evaluate the overall cost effectiveness (purchase price, operating costs, and trade in value) of utilizing a hybrid vehicle versus a standard gas-only vehicle; and

WHEREAS, the invoice cost for the Ford Escape gas-only is about \$21,300, the Ford Escape Hybrid is about \$26,500 and the Ford heavy duty pickup truck is about \$36,900 for a total of \$84,700; and

WHEREAS, Arapahoe County pool vehicles are no longer available as of April 1 to SEMSWA employees unless and until a lease arrangement for their use can be negotiated; and

WHEREAS, there is a current need for the three additional vehicles; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that SEMSWA cash purchase the vehicles because leasing is a form of borrowing and there are transaction costs for leasing, and

borrowing more money than already incurred in the \$3,500,000 loan from Colorado Business Bank for SEMSWA startup costs is not necessary; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Executive Director is authorized to request bids from Ford dealerships along the Front Range for a Ford Escape XLS 4WD, a Ford Escape 4WD Hybrid, and a Ford Super Duty F-350 Crew Cab 4x4.
2. The Executive Director is authorized to purchase the three vehicles at a total purchase price not exceeding \$87,200 without further approval of the Board which amount includes a 3% contingency in case of price increases or absence of incentives.

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Date:\_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST:

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Secretary

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Chairperson