Washington County Sheriff's Office Capital Expense Request for 2022 Budget (Vehicles Line Item – 3017 0418 4005)

The Sheriff's Office Detention Division is requesting a total of \$190,044.75 in capital outlay funds from the vehicle line item for the 2022 budget to purchase the following vehicles:

<u>5 – Chevrolet Tahoes, Special Services Package, 4-wheel drive</u>

As in the past, we intend to purchase these vehicles utilizing the Arkansas State bid pricing. The only pricing at this early stage in the budget process will be the prices from the 2021 State Vehicle contract. The bid price for the 4-wheel drive, special services package vehicles was \$36,199.00 in 2021. Based on conversations with General Motors, they are estimating a larger than normal increase on the 2022 models. This would increase the price to approximately \$38,008.95 per Tahoe.

The Special Service Tahoes will replace existing vehicles used for detainee transports both in and out of state. Transport vehicles average 40,000 to 45,000 miles per year due to the high demands of the court systems. These vehicles are used to transport detainees to and from prisons, courts and a variety of other places that we travel to while overseeing the health of the detainees.

It is important to note we have a "hand-me-down" process when we retire a transport vehicle. Those that are still mechanically reliable will be re-assigned to a less demanding role within the Detention Center. This could include assignment to deputies within the Detention Center and Community Service. These vehicles are still reliable enough to be utilized for special assignments, such as ball games and events such as the Walmart Shareholders meetings.