

PASSED: February 9, 2026
BY: Hunt

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-3

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF
THREE ELECTRIC POLICE PURSUIT VEHICLES

WHEREAS, the Police Department of the Village of Amberley plays a vital role in ensuring the health, safety, and welfare of the Village's residents and visitors;

WHEREAS, several of the Department's police cruisers are approaching 100,000 miles, which will mean a significant increase in the maintenance costs associated with those vehicles due to their 24-hour, heavy duty use;

WHEREAS, the purchase of new police vehicles will reduce these maintenance costs because the vehicles will be under warranty and will only incur basic, routine maintenance costs;

WHEREAS, the Police and Fire Department has determined that the Chevrolet Blazer EV Police Pursuit Vehicle ("PPV") meets operational needs. Further, the new PPVs sought to be purchased are electric, which will significantly reduce fuel costs, lower emissions, reduce maintenance, increase longevity, and reduce downtime;

WHEREAS, electric PPVs are not currently available through the State of Ohio cooperative purchasing program, the PPVs are available through a joint purchasing program for local government agencies operated by Suburban Purchasing Cooperative ("SPC") at such pricing, terms, and conditions that are most beneficial to the Village;

WHEREAS, O.R.C. § 9.48(B) permits a political subdivision to be exempt from competitive bidding when it participates in a joint purchasing program operated through a national association in which the political subdivision is eligible for membership. Further, SPC is a national purchasing organization for public procurement authorized pursuant to O.R.C. § 9.48;

WHEREAS, SPC's awarded vendor is an out-of-state dealership, however staff obtained local pricing from Tim Lally Chevrolet in Warrensville Heights, Ohio;

WHEREAS, it will also be necessary to equip the new PPVs with additional equipment to render them ready for emergency response use, including a video camera system and graphics identifying the vehicles as Village Police vehicles;

WHEREAS, the total cost to purchase three (3) PPVs is \$138,756 and the total cost to equip the PPVs is \$27,870. Further, one of the PPVs will be housed at the Jewish Community Center ("JCC") and the Jewish Federation has provided \$50,000 to the Village for the purchase and outfitting of that PPV; and

WHEREAS, the Police and Fire Committee met to discuss the purchase and outfitting of three (3) new PPVs and recommended the Village proceed with acquiring and outfitting the PPVs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Council of Amberley Village, State of Ohio, seven (7) members elected thereto concurring:

SECTION 1: That the Village Manager be, and hereby is, authorized and directed by the Village to enter into all necessary contracts for the purchase of three (3) Chevrolet EV PPVs in the amount of \$138,756 and the equipping and outfitting of those PPVs with safety and emergency equipment in the amount of \$27,870.

SECTION 2: This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest date permitted by law.

Passed this 9th day of February, 2026.

Bob Rosen, Mayor

Attest:

Tammy Reasoner, Clerk of Council

Resolution Vote:

Moved: Hunt

Second: Shatz

I, Clerk of Council of Amberley Village, Ohio, certify that on the ____ day of February, 2026, the foregoing Resolution was published pursuant to Article IX of the Home Rule Charter by posting true copies of said Resolution at all of the places of public notice as designated by Sec. 31.40(B), Code of Ordinances.

Tammy Reasoner, Clerk of Council