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## Town of East Greenwich

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Date: September 5, 2019

To: Andy Nota, Town Manager

From: Joseph Duarte, Director of Public Works

Cc: Peter Bamberry, Special Projects Coordinator

Re: 2020 Toyota Prius Prime LE Bid

Please be advised that in June of 2019 the town received a grant from the Rhode Island Office of Energy Resources (OER) for the installation of an electric charging station and the purchase of an electric vehicle in the amount of \$35,583. The charging station will be fully funded through the OER grant and rebates from National Grid. The electric vehicle will be partially funded (\$5,000) through the OER grant.

The electric vehicle will replace a DPW staff vehicle and will be utilized by the Building Official.

On June 6, 2019, bids were received for the purchase of the electric vehicle (refer to the attached memorandum dated June 18, 2019). The Town Council approved the bid for the purchase of the electric vehicle from Speed Craft Nissan on June 24, 2019. A purchase order was issued to Speed Craft Nissan on June 30, 2019.

Speed Craft Nissan's bid provided a \$5,000 Nissan municipal rebate and \$7,500 federal tax credit. However, the bidder was under the impression that the town would exercise the federal credit and not the dealer. The town indicated that the credit must be used by the dealer as the town does not pay income taxes. This discussion ensued for several weeks and on August 7, 2019, the dealer withdrew their bid. Consequently, the town has decided to use the Rhode Island State Master Price Agreement (MPA#563) to acquire a different OER approved vehicle. The new dealer will be Hudson Motors Partnership for the purchase of an electric/hybrid vehicle (Toyota Prius Prime).