

Grant of Tow Franchises to One tow Vendor for Police-Generated Tow Operations

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BACKGROUND

- The City requires tow services in the exercise of its police powers as necessary or appropriate to the general welfare of the citizens
- Tow operators placed on the City's Rotation Tow list are permitted to provide tow services
- City ordinance #3674 authorizes Council to grant franchises for police-generated tows

PROPOSED

- One additional tow company, Gaba Corp, has asked to participate in the franchise tow agreement.
- The Chief of Police is authorized to execute the tow franchise agreement.

BENEFIT

- Adding tow vendors creates a greater pool from which to choose.
- Allows for more participation by local businesses.

RECOMMENDATION

 It is recommended by the Police Department that the Council, by resolution, 1) grant a police generated vehicle tow franchise to tow operator Gaba Corp pursuant to Chapter 6-84 of the Santa Rosa City Code for police-generated tow operations; 2) authorize a tow agreement with Gaba Corp in substantially the form of Exhibit A to the resolution, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney; and 3) authorize the Chief of Police or designee to execute the tow agreement.

Questions?