

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM NO. E.12 08/22/2023

SUBJECT: Police Department's Purchase of patrol rifles from LC Action Police

Supply.

DEPARTMENT: Police

STAFF: Timothy M. Herbert, Chief of Police

Christopher Peart, Police Lieutenant

TITLE/RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends Council adopt a resolution approving an amount not to exceed \$75,000 for the purchase of 60 Colt "EPR" L.E. carbine, 11.5" barrel 5.56 rifles (Colt Rifles), as well as any additional items necessary from LC Action Police Supply, and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute any documents necessary to procure these items.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Police Grants Fund has sufficient budget in FY 2023/24 for this purchase and the requisite funds are available from accumulated Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS)/Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Funds (SLESF) allocations. These allocations are restricted for supplementing front-line law enforcement services and equipment.

BACKGROUND

The Brentwood Police Department's (Department) top priority is the safety and security of its community and residents. Although the hope is to resolve every situation without the need to use force, there are times when force is necessary. Law enforcement equipment has evolved over the years, giving officers a greater advantage when dealing with high-stress, low-frequency situations.

The Department currently has rifles that are almost 30 years old. These older rifles do not allow for a more sophisticated and accurate red dot sight (RDS) to be mounted to the rifle's upper receiver. The RDS benefits officers in acquiring a target faster and increases the probability of the officer hitting their target in high-stress situations. Any advantage officers can have in high-stress situations is critical to resolving it quickly, with the least amount of force necessary, and to prevent further potential loss of life.



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Currently, Department SWAT Officers are the only sworn staff with RDSs on their rifles. The purchase of these new Colt Rifles will allow the Department to equip all of its sworn staff with RDSs mounted to their rifles. These Colt Rifles will improve community safety by increasing officers' capabilities and efficiency.

In accordance with the Council/Administrative Policy 10-7, Purchasing Policy, the Department solicited bids from three vendors for the purchase of 60 Colt Rifles: LC Action Police Supply, Pro Force, and Phoenix Distributors. At the conclusion of the bidding process, all bids were tabulated, and it was determined that LC Action Police Supply provided the lowest bid of \$47,423.00 for the 60 Colt Rifles.

The total amount encumbered with LC Action Police Supply this fiscal year, which includes the purchase of 60 Colt Rifles, as well as previous purchases already made, is \$64,019.23. The Department is seeking authorization from Council for a total amount not to exceed \$75,000 in FY 2023/24, for purchases with LC Action Police Supply, which will cover the amounts already encumbered, as well as allow for the procurement of additional items from LC Action Police Supply, if needed.

In accordance with Policy 708, Military Equipment Funding, Acquisition and Use (Policy 708), the Department will return to Council in the future with its annual report to outline the Department's military equipment inventory, which will include the purchase of the 60 Colt Rifles and any other military equipment as defined under Policy 708.

CITY COUNCIL STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Not Applicable.

PREVIOUS ACTION

Not Applicable.

DATE OF NOTICE

Not Applicable.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

Not Applicable.



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ATTACHMENT(S)

1. Resolution