



Staff Report

TO: City Council
FROM: Sean Thuilliez, Chief of Police
DATE: May 3, 2022
SUBJECT: **Second Reading to Adopt an Ordinance of the City of Beaumont Regarding Assembly Bill 481 – Military/Specialized Police Equipment Policy and Use**

Background and Analysis:

On April 19, 2022, the City Council held a public hearing and approved the first reading of an Ordinance regarding Assembly Bill 481. This bill governs the policy, use, and inventory of the Beaumont Police Department's military or specialized equipment.

If approved at the second reading, this new ordinance establishes a policy within the police department for the purchase and approval of specialized police equipment. Also, an inventory will be kept listing this specialized equipment.

With the City Council's partnership and approval, the police department and its law enforcement partners can operate with the most advanced technology, equipment, and resources available with the goal to protect and serve the community with increased effectiveness, be prepared for the unexpected, and ultimately save lives with a uniform response standard by all law enforcement agencies across all jurisdictions within the county.

These use policies are published on the police department's website and have been there for over 30 days as is required by AB 481.

The full text to AB481 can be found here:

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB481

The Beaumont Police Department will allow other law enforcement agencies into the City to conduct business with the understanding that their Military/Specialized Police Equipment policy has been approved by their governing body.

Fiscal Impact:

The cost to prepare this report is estimated to be \$120.

Recommended Action:

Waive the second full reading and adopt by title only, "An Ordinance of the City of Beaumont for the Adoption of a Military Equipment Use Policy, Otherwise Referred to Herein as a Specialized Police Equipment Use Policy, Pursuant to Assembly Bill 481 and Government Code §7070 for Beaumont Police Department."

Attachments:

- A. Beaumont Police Department Military/Specialized Equipment Use Policy
- B. Beaumont Police Department Military/Specialized Equipment Inventory
- C. Ordinance