

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: July 18, 2024

From: Lisa Macias, Police Chief

Subject: Approve the Annual Military Equipment Report per California

Assembly Bill 481

Recommendation:

City Council approve the Annual Military Equipment Report per California Assembly Bill 481.

Background:

On September 30, 2021, Assembly Bill 481 (AB481) was codified in Government Code Sections 7070-7075, requiring the governing body of law enforcement to adopt a "Military Equipment Use:" policy. The Brisbane Police Department presented a policy to the City Council, which was adopted by ordinance on March 3, 2022.

AB481 also requires law enforcement agencies to prepare an annual report containing information for the preceding year. Staff has prepared a Military Equipment Annual Report (Attachment 1) which summarizes the required information including a description of the purpose of the equipment and how it was used; any complaint received; the results of any internal audits; the cost of the equipment possessed, and if the agency intends to acquire additional equipment in the next year.

Discussion:

To meet the requirements of the Report pursuant to AB 481, a review was conducted of the Brisbane Police Department's military equipment policy. The Brisbane Police Department does not possess any tactical equipment that it has obtained from the military, nor does it possess any equipment that was designed for military use.

During the calendar year of 2023, no complaints related to military equipment were received by the Police Department. The Department conducted an internal audit and determined that there were no violations of the military equipment use policy. No new items of military equipment were acquired in the last year.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

Attachments:

Military Equipment Report

Lisa Macias, Chief of Police Jeremy Dennis, City Manager

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MILITARY EQUIPMENT INVENTORY 2023

Qualifying Equipment / Owned by the Brisbane Police Department:

Equipment Name: Remington 870 Police Less Lethal Launchers and Kinetic Energy Munitions - CA

Gov't Code §7070(c)(14)

Quantity Owned/Sought: 1 owned Lifespan: Approximately 15 years

Equipment Capabilities: The Less Lethal Remington 870 launcher is capable of firing 12 GA drag stabilized Impact Munitions, which are made a cotton material blend.

Manufacturer Product Description: The Remington 870 is a single shot pump action shot gun that has the capability of deploying a 12 ga cotton blend impact projectile. The Remington 870 less lethal has been fitted with an orange stock to distinguish it to be a less lethal tool.

Purpose/Authorized Uses: The Remington 870 Impact Munition are intended for use as a less lethal use of force option.

Fiscal Impacts: The initial cost of this equipment was approximately \$500.00. The ongoing costs for munitions will vary and maintenance is conducted by departmental staff.

Legal/Procedural Rules Governing Use: All applicable State, Federal and Local laws governing police use of force. Various Brisbane Police Department Policies on Use of Force and Crowd Control.

Training Required: Officers must complete a department certified less lethal course as well as regular training and qualifications as required by law and policy.

Other Notes: None.

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Qualifying Equipment known to be owned and/or utilized by law enforcement units with which the Brisbane Police Department collaborates and/or participates for law enforcement purposes

Equipment Name: Wheeled vehicles that have a breaching apparatus attached - CA Gov't Code §7070(c)(3)

Quantity Owned/Sought: None (outside owned) Lifespan: Unknown.

Equipment Capabilities: Capable of breaching doors, gates, and other points of entry.

Manufacturer Product Description: Unavailable.

Purpose/Authorized Uses: Breaching doors, gates, and other points of entry.

Fiscal Impacts: None. Equipment owned, maintained, and operated by another agency.

Legal/Procedural Rules Governing Use: Breaching vehicles can be deployed any time tactical operators determine that it is necessary to complete a lawful breaching. For a breaching to be lawful, it will generally need to be supported by a search or arrest warrant, or exigent circumstances.

Training Required: The North County Regional SWAT Team provides internal training for staff members prior to allowing them to drive breaching vehicles.

Other Notes: The Brisbane Police Department participates in the North County Regional SWAT Team (NCR SWAT). This equipment is owned and operated by NCR SWAT through the San Mateo Police Department. While the Brisbane Police Department does not own or operate this equipment, it could be used in Brisbane by NCR SWAT if they are deployed to an incident within city limits.

Equipment Name: Battering rams, slugs, and breaching apparatus that are explosive in nature - CA Gov't Code §7070(c)(7)

Quantity Owned/Sought: None (outside owned) Lifespan: Unknown.

Equipment Capabilities: Capable of breaching doors, gates, windows, and other points of entry.

Manufacturer Product Description: Unavailable.

Purpose/Authorized Uses: Breaching doors, gates, windows, and other points of entry.

Fiscal Impacts: None. Equipment owned, maintained, and operated by another agency.

Legal/Procedural Rules Governing Use: Breaching apparatus that are explosive in nature can be deployed any time tactical operators determine that it is necessary to complete a lawful breaching, and non-explosive breaching methods are not tactically practicable. For a breaching to be lawful, it will generally need to be supported by a search or arrest warrant, or exigent circumstances.

Training Required: The North County Regional SWAT Team provides internal training for staff members prior to allowing them to use explosive breaching apparatus.

Other Notes: The Brisbane Police Department participates in the North County Regional SWAT Team (NCR SWAT). This equipment is owned and operated by NCR SWAT through the San Mateo Police Department. While the Brisbane Police Department does not own or operate this equipment, it could be used in Brisbane by NCR SWAT if they are deployed to an incident within city limits.

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Equipment Name: Flashbang grenades, explosive breaching tools, tear gas and pepper balls - CA Gov't Code §7070(c)(12)

Quantity Owned/Sought: None (outside owned) Lifespan: Unknown.

Equipment Capabilities: Capable of breaching doors, gates, windows, and other points of entry, creating explosive distractions, and/or deploying tear gas or pepper chemical.

Manufacturer Product Description: Unavailable.

Purpose/Authorized Uses: breaching doors, gates, windows, and other points of entry, creating explosive distractions, and/or deploying tear gas or pepper chemicals.

Fiscal Impacts: None. Equipment owned, maintained, and operated by another agency.

Legal/Procedural Rules Governing Use: Breaching apparatus that are explosive in nature can be deployed any time tactical operators determine that it is necessary to complete a lawful breaching, and non-explosive breaching methods are not tactically practicable. For a breaching to be lawful, it will generally need to be supported by a search or arrest warrant, or exigent circumstances. Tear gas and pepper balls can only be deployed in accordance with all applicable State, Federal and Local laws governing police use of force, crowd control, etc.

Training Required: The North County Regional SWAT Team provides internal training for staff members prior to allowing them to use any of these items.

Other Notes: The Brisbane Police Department participates in the North County Regional SWAT Team (NCR SWAT). This equipment is owned and operated by NCR SWAT through the San Mateo Police Department. While the Brisbane Police Department does not own or operate this equipment, it could be used in Brisbane by NCR SWAT if they are deployed to an incident within city limits.

Equipment Name: Long Range Acoustic Device (LRAD) - CA Gov't Code §7070(c)(13)

Quantity Owned/Sought: None (outside owned). Lifespan: Unknown.

Equipment Capabilities: LRAD systems are a type of Acoustic Hailing Device (AHD) used to send messages over long distances. LRAD systems produce much higher sound levels (volume) than normal loudspeakers or megaphones. Over shorter distances, LRAD signals are loud enough to cause pain in the ears of people in their path.

Manufacturer Product Description: LRAD systems are a type of Acoustic Hailing Device (AHD) used to send messages over long distances. LRAD systems produce much higher sound levels (volume) than normal loudspeakers or megaphones. Over shorter distances, LRAD signals are loud enough to cause pain in the ears of people in their path.

Purpose/Authorized Uses: Can be used to disperse unlawful crowds and/or to disrupt the activities of person(s) who represent an immediate threat to others.

Fiscal Impacts: None. Equipment owned, maintained, and operated by another agency.

Legal/Procedural Rules Governing Use: LRADs can only be deployed in accordance with all applicable State, Federal and Local laws governing police use of force, crowd control, etc.

Training Required: The North County Regional SWAT Team provides internal training for staff members prior to allowing them to use any of these items.

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