



REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

AGENDA DATE: June 12, 2023

AGENDA ITEM: Consider donating the remaining six (6) Grand Rapids Police Kodak EasyShare Z712 IS digital cameras to the Upward Bound program

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BACKGROUND:

Approximately ten years ago, Grand Rapids Police Department Patrol Staff utilized Kodak EasyShare Z712IS digital cameras to collect photographic evidence in criminal investigations. Each officer was assigned a camera. For the past couple years, the department has utilized City issued cell phones to serve the same purpose. This transition was both successful and necessary.

Department leadership has been in contact with Upward Bound program at Minnesota North College. Upward Bond is a federally funded college and career grant program who serve teenagers in grades 9-12 from seven of our surrounding school districts. Students qualify for the program through being low income and first-generation college students.

A PHOTOGRAPHY Course is offered as an elective. They typically have 10-12 students sharing three (3) digital cameras.

The Grand Rapids Police Department no longer has a need for the drastically outdated digital cameras that have sat unused in a cabinet for over two years. We ask the Council to consider donating the remaining six (6) Grand Rapids Police Kodak EasyShare Z712 IS to the Upward Bound program.

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION:

Make a motion to donate the remaining six (6) Grand Rapids Police Kodak EasyShare Z712 IS to the Upward Bound program.