



## REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

**AGENDA DATE:** January 13, 2025

**AGENDA ITEM:** Consider approving new PepperBall policy for the Grand Rapids Police Department

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### **BACKGROUND:**

At the September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Grand Rapids City Council Meeting, the Grand Rapids Police Department was approved to move forward with the purchase of five (5) non-lethal PepperBall launchers.

These PepperBall launchers have been received and four Officers have completed the Instructor/Armorer course.

The next step, prior to training all the Grand Rapids Police Department Officers, is to implement a policy for the PepperBall systems. Several policies from other MN law enforcement agencies were reviewed and the attached policy was drafted that covers the procedures for use of PepperBall products.

City Attorney Sterle has reviewed the proposed policy and given his approval.

### **REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION:**

Make a motion to approve the new PepperBall Policy to be added to the Grand Rapids Police Department Policy Manual.