



City of Hartford * County of Van Buren * State of Michigan

TO: Mayor Hall and the Hartford Commission

FROM: Brian Matthews, Police Chief

CC: Nicol Brown, City Manager

DATE: April 8th 2025

RE: Purchase Order Request

ITEM BEFORE THE COMMISSION:

The item before the Commission is to approve the purchase of Police Department Firearms for use by the Police Officers during the commission of their duties. This request is submitted for 6 units of Glock 45 handguns, holsters and accessories. The total amount of the request is \$4249.87

DISCUSSION:

The current department firearms were manufactured in 2003. The professional standard for police agencies to purchase firearms is around 1 decade or every 10 years. These firearms are now over 20 years old and shoot a .40 caliber round. Most agencies have now gone to a smaller ammunition round which are more economical being that of a 9mm round. This switch to 9mm ammunition from .40 caliber will save our agency approximately 50 percent of our training costs. In addition, the technology with newer firearms requires less maintenance and inspections. With this purchase, we will be able to utilize our law enforcement partners to complete inspections and repairs to save additional funds. It will be in the best interest of the department and the City of Hartford to purchase these new firearms to save costs not only now, but in the future.

RECOMMENDATION:

The City of Hartford will authorize the purchase of Police Department Firearms for use by the Police Officers during the commission of their duties. This request is submitted for 6 Glock 45 handguns, holsters and accessories. The total amount of the request is \$4249.87