

AGENDA REPORT MEETING: CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION, DECEMBER 13, 2023 AGENDA CATEGORY: GENERAL DISCUSSION

Item: Purchase of Compact Rifle Systems with Suppressors

Department: Police Department

Date of Meeting: Wednesday, December 13, 2023

Fiscal Impact: \$173,016.00

Presented By: Chief John Mullin

Action Requested: Award Purchase of Compact Rifle Systems with Suppressors to low

responsive bidder, Shaw Armament Systems, LLC. in the amount of

\$173,016.00.

Summary: This purchase will provide all officers with a rifle and suppressor. Recent events have demonstrated that active threat incidents are always a concern for law enforcement officers and the public. By equipping each officer with a suppressed rifle and the necessary attachments, such as a light, a magnified sight, and a sling, officers will have the best chance for survival and to save the lives of our community members during an active threat incident.

Background: Not every officer is issued with a patrol rifle within the department. The department's inventory is not sufficient to provide each officer with a rifle. The department's current rifle inventory has aged considerably since the first rifles were purchased in 2003 and there are not enough to equip each officer. This resulted in policies that allowed officers to carry personally owned rifles for patrol and critical incident response. For the sake of liability, reliability, and uniformity in issuance, officers need to be issued rifles by the department.

The effort to locate a vendor for this project resulted in a meeting and demonstration with Shaw Armament which is a local company in Georgia. Shaw Armament also manufactures its own suppressor for the rifle that was assembled according to the specifications we provided, and this resulted in the best price available to the department. The rifle specifications required a shorter barrel which aids in maneuverability and accommodates the attachment of a sound

suppressor. The sound suppressor will prevent hearing damage to the officers and bystanders if the rifle is used inside of buildings and aids in controlling recoil and muzzle blast.

Fiscal Impact: \$173,016.00 to be funded out of Speed Zone Camera GL: 2853210-531755.

Concurrences: Other departments, agencies, personnel, who agree and have formally supported.

Attachments/Exhibits: SB008-24 Bid Tabulation