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TO: Dawn A. Collins, Town Administrator

FR: Chief Jason Vanderpool, Police Department

The Palmer Lake Police Department is working on fostering better relationships with our neighboring agencies. We have met with members of the Monument Police Department and come up with plans to conduct some training together. We also met with the Sheriff's office staff to forge better relationships with the County.

We are requesting to use the elephant rock property as a training area until it is determined what will happen with the property. The property opens numerous possibilities for training –

- the buildings can be used for building clearing as well as barricaded subjects;
- the open areas can be used for traffic stop scenarios, open area searches; and
- the main building set up is perfect for hotel/multi-family living scenario-based training.

If we are permitted to utilize the property it would not only benefit the Palmer Lake Police Department but also our neighboring agencies. The property will be left as it was found and it will not be destroyed, it will be cleaned up after every training event.

Collaboration with other agencies – opportunity to train together – will assist in knowing what to expect if/when an incident happens. This also opens the door for our officers to obtain training at little to no cost, as well as access to trainings they may not have been able to attend without the cooperation of these agencies.

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