



Memorandum

April 7th, 2025

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Josh Antoine, Chief of Police
Subject: Range Lane Replacement Proposal

Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

I hope this message finds you well. As you may recall, Administrator Buchholtz and I have been working on a comprehensive upgrade plan for the police department's shooting range in conjunction with the ongoing building project. This initiative includes the replacement of the range backstop, upgrades to the electrical lighting system, and, as approved by the Council in late 2024, the replacement of the current ventilation system.

The final component of this upgrade is the replacement of the range lanes and ceiling baffles. As you are aware, the range was originally installed in 1987, and after the ventilation upgrade, the only remaining original components will be the lanes. Our current range configuration includes three lanes, and we have received quotes to replace these with two larger, more efficient lanes. Administrator Buchholtz and I have discussed this in detail and, given the ongoing building remodeling, we believe this is the optimal time to proceed with the lane replacement.

I have reached out to several companies over the years for quotes on this work and have had them update their proposals for 2025. Below are the companies and their respective quotes:

- **Action Targets:** No proposal received
- **Range Systems:** \$83,809.00
- **InVeris:** \$95,565.00

After careful consideration, the Police Department recommends moving forward with Range Systems for this project. Range Systems is currently the only range company based in Minnesota, and our range instructors are already familiar with their systems through their use at the Anoka Police Department range.

Having an on-site range at the Police Department is invaluable. It not only saves the department and the city user fees and travel time to external ranges, but it also serves as a key tool for recruitment and retention, enhancing the city's ability to attract and retain talented officers.

Therefore, I respectfully request the Council's approval to proceed with the replacement of the police department's range lanes and baffles through Range Systems for a total cost of \$83,809.00.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

If you have any questions I can answer those now.

Sincerely,
Josh Antoine
Chief of Police