



Memorandum

To: Mayor Nelson and Members of the City Council
From: Josh Antoine/ Chief of Police
Date: November 15th, 2021
Re: Re-allocation of Light Bar CIP funds.

Mayor and City Council,

Since September, I have been facilitating the purchase and replacement of all of our squad light bars. Chief Ebeltoft had the foresight to add into his Capital Improvement Plan the replacement of all the squad light bars in 2021. I have purchased all four light bars as of October. Three of our four squad light bars have been replaced already. The fourth light bar will be replaced when the new 2022 Durango squad arrives. Waiting to complete the replacement of that light bar will save the city significant labor costs.

Chief Ebeltoft budgeted \$15,000.00 for the replacement of the squad light bars. I was able to replace the four light bars for a total cost of \$11,112.87.

Currently, the police department requires new and existing officers to purchase their duty handgun. I have completed research and believe that the best option moving forward is for the police department to purchase department-issued handguns.

In October, we had representatives from Glock come out and demo several different weapons for department-issued handguns. After shooting and researching the options and with the input of the firearms instructors I believe the Glock model 45 9mm handgun is the right choice for the police department. The Glock model 45 will be a platform that will fit all of our officers' hands not just a few of them. The 9mm ammunition will also save the city money in the long run. Right now, we shoot the Glock 21 and 30 which are 45 caliber weapons. Both handguns do not fit every officer's hands. Ammunition is also becoming very expensive for the city to purchase. I have received a quote from Kiesler Police Supply for the purchase of 13 Glock model 45 9mm

handguns for \$5,570.50. We will also supply the first holster and mag pouch holder for the guns for approximately \$2,000.00. The total purchase would be approximately \$7,570.50.

I am requesting that the City Council re-allocate the remaining \$3,800.00 from the squad light bars to the duty weapon purchase. I have also been working on updating our squad weapons. As part of that upgrade, we will be removing two weapons out of the squad cars. The H&K MP5 rifles and the Mossberg shotguns currently in our squads are becoming obsolete and have been removed from our squad cars. I have found an approved FFL dealer for the MP5 rifles and we are in the process of transferring those weapons through the ATF. I will be using the money from the sale of the MP5 rifles to supplement the cost of the department issued duty weapons.

Approximate Duty-Weapon Purchase:

Re-allocated Light Bar Money	\$3800.00
<u>MP5 sale</u>	<u>\$4000.00</u>
Total:	\$7800.00

Therefore, I am asking for the Mayor and City Council's authorization to facilitate the purchase of department-issued Glock model 45 9mm handguns.

Thank you. Are there are any questions.