



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

TO: Kate Thunstrom, City Administrator
FROM: Todd Schwieger, Police Chief
SUBJECT: Abandoned Property
DATE: May 5, 2025

OVERVIEW:

In September 2019 a search warrant was conducted at a residence in St. Francis resulting in a large quantity of stolen items being recovered. In addition to items which were confirmed stolen, officers also seized property for further investigation that had a high likelihood of being stolen. Throughout the investigation owners were located for several of the suspected stolen items which were then returned. Multiple items remain in possession of the police department where owners have not been identified, and no proof of ownership has been received from the individual in which the items were seized.

ACTION TO BE CONSIDERED:

To approve Resolution 2025-23 which declares seized property related to St. Francis Police case number 19-240500 as abandoned property. The Police Department will utilize the online bidding service of Municibid to sell and dispose of the items. St. Francis city code 8-7-2 (C) authorizes the City to sell abandoned property to the highest bidder at public auction or in the manner directed by Council.

BUDGET IMPLICATION:

Work performed in the preparation and selling of surplus property will be conducted during normal working hours. Funds collected from the sales of the property will be placed into City of St. Francis General Fund.

Attachments:

- Resolution 2025-23 declares seized property to St. Francis Police case 19-2450500 as abandoned property
- EXHIBIT A