



AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: March 6, 2012
Item Number: H-17
To: Honorable Mayor & City Council
From: David L. Snowden, Chief of Police
Subject: **APPROPRIATION OF \$20,000 FROM THE SEIZED & FORFEITED PROPERTY FUND TO ENHANCE POLICE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS**
Attachments: None

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council move to appropriate \$20,000 to fund design services necessary to determine the feasibility of expanding the Police Department facility to accommodate the parking of oversized vehicles as follows:

FROM	TO
\$20,000 Seized and Forfeited Property Fund Unrestricted Fund Balance 32-30000	\$20,000 Seized and Forfeited Property Federal/Justice Program One Time Consultant Services 3202105E126-73120

INTRODUCTION

The Police Department has identified the need to create an additional covered, secured parking area for two of its oversized vehicles. This parking area would ensure that the Mobile Advanced Technology Control Center (MATCC) vehicle and the future replacement of the Mobile Command Center (MCC) are shielded from the weather and remain inaccessible to non-law enforcement personnel. These purchases will be made with funds acquired under the federal asset forfeiture program.

DISCUSSION

Under the UNITE grant, the City developed and procured the MATCC vehicle. This vehicle is equipped with state-of-the-art information sharing and interoperable technologies and will be deployed in the field to provide the immediate benefit of mobile voice, video and data communication links to local, state, and federal emergency responders. During incidents where multiple agencies may be working together for incident resolution—including protests and demonstrations, major crimes or traffic accidents, earthquakes and wildfires—this vehicle will be used to gather and transmit important situation-status intelligence to and from the local department operations center, EOC, or any other regional mutual aid agency.

Due to its height, the MATCC cannot be parked in any of the City's parking structures. As a consequence, this vehicle is currently parked outdoors and exposed to the weather elements. In order to protect the City's and federal government's investments in this vehicle, as well as accommodate the parking of the eventual replacement of the City's MCC, staff has determined that it may be possible to extend the rear of the Police Department facility and create an additional area where these vehicles can be parked securely.

In order to determine the feasibility of this project and accurately estimate the costs necessary to bring it to fruition, an appropriation of \$20,000 is necessary to procure additional architectural services. Once the costs are known, staff will have an accurate understanding of the magnitude of this project and will make further recommendations to the City Council as appropriate.

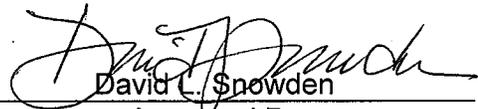
FISCAL IMPACT

The costs associated with these design services total \$20,000 and will be made with funds from the Seized and Forfeited Property Fund. These restricted funds have been received as a result of federal asset seizures and may only be used to enhance the operations of the Police Department. This purchase will not impact the Police Department's Internal Service Fund budget in FY11/12 or future years.



Scott Miller

Finance Approval



David L. Snowden

Approved By