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**CITY OF LA VISTA
MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORT
DECEMBER 15, 2015 AGENDA**

Subject:	Type:	Submitted By:
PURCHASE OF BALLISTIC HELMETS	◆ RESOLUTION ORDINANCE RECEIVE/FILE	BOB LAUSTEN POLICE CHIEF

SYNOPSIS

A resolution has been prepared authorizing the purchase of ballistic helmets for the police department.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Asset Forfeiture Account provides funding for the proposed purchase.

RECOMMENDATION

Approval.

BACKGROUND

In training exercises this past year involving active shooter scenarios, Police Department trainers and staff have identified a need for ballistic level helmets for officers. The department currently has an inventory of 25 non-ballistic type helmets (riot type) that have been in use since the 1980s. Law enforcement tactics, technology, threats and equipment have changed since then.

Ballistic helmets will provide protection currently unavailable to officers during high risk activities and afford a greater protection from gunfire to officers during those incidents of high risk, such as active shooter situations and search-warrant service. During the IACP conference this past October, staff met with vendors and determined the Safariland ProTech ballistic helmet best meets the department's needs. We received price quotes from the two distributors for our region, GT Distributors (\$13,252.50) and Ed Roehr Safety Products (\$11,615.00). We recommend purchasing via Ed Roehr Safety Products.

On July 21, 2015, the City Council adopted Council Policy Statement #116 regarding Police Department Asset Forfeiture expenditures. As part of the Policy Statement, an "Asset Forfeiture Expenditure Master Plan" was developed proposing purchases from the account in the FY16 budget. The Master Plan approved by the City Council included the purchase helmets front-line law enforcement.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VISTA, NEBRASKA APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF 30 SAFARILAND BALLISTIC HELMETS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM ED ROEHR SAFETY PRODUCTS, ST. LOUIS, MO, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$11,615.00.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of La Vista has determined that the acquisition of ballistic helmets is a necessary officer-safety piece of equipment, and

WHEREAS, Ed Roehr Safety Products, St. Louis, MO, submitted the lowest quote on the helmets, and

WHEREAS, Paragraph 9 of Section 31.23 of the La Vista Municipal Code requires that the City Administrator secure Council approval prior to authorizing any purchase over \$5,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Council of La Vista, Nebraska, do hereby authorize the purchase of 30 Safariland ballistic helmets for the police department from Ed Roehr Safety Products, St. Louis, MO, in an amount not to exceed \$11,615.00.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 15TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2015.

CITY OF LA VISTA

Douglas Kindig, Mayor

ATTEST:

Pamela A. Buethe, CMC
City Clerk