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## MEMORANDUM

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**TO:** Charles Cato, Chief of Police *CC 5/6/19*  
**THRU:** Robert Piccioni, Assistant Chief of Police *RP 5/2/19*  
**FROM:** Doug Yates, Police Captain  
**DATE:** April 25, 2019  
**SUBJECT:** Proposed items for purchase from State Seizure Account #SA18/19-350-05

The following items are proposed for purchase from the State Seizure Account:

1. Dell Performance Desktop computers \$12,000

Currently, there is a need for four computer workstations in the Criminal Investigations Unit. Two of these work stations will be utilized by investigators and clerical staff to complete tasks such as video case completion and data recording for cases. The remaining two computers will be assigned to dedicated viewing stations located in a secure environment for viewing sensitive video evidence. These two computers will be "stand-alone" machines, off the city's network and servers. The room will be monitored and recorded as well.

2. Criminal Investigations Data Projection Center \$11,000

The current projection equipment in the Criminal Investigations conference room is outdated, malfunctions regularly, and has become hard to use. The equipment requires regular maintenance and repair to keep it operational. This request is to update the current equipment.

3. CellHawk Software \$5,500

Hawk Analytics "CellHawk" Software is a comprehensive Call Detail Records (CDR) analytic platform. This software will allow investigators to quickly and accurately, analyze CDR data received from various cellular providers in response to search warrants. The information gained from utilizing this tool will provide investigators with vital information to aid in their investigations.

4. Criminal Investigations Electronic Data Storage \$25,000

The Criminal Investigations Bureau has seen an increase in electronic media evidence. This has caused an increased need for evidence to be stored safely, effectively, and within the chain of

custody. This request is for electronic data storage devices to allow investigators to work more efficiently. Purchasing these devices will increase the workflow efficiency of investigations involving digital media.

5. Brief Cam \$40,000

With the increased availability of video evidence, the department must find a way to review it as quickly and efficiently as possible. BriefCam will allow investigators to review hours of video in just minutes and will allow them to quickly pinpoint people and objects of interest. This technology will be a force multiplier when investigating criminal offenses.

6. Redactive Software \$20,000

This software package will streamline the redaction of private information when MPD in car and body camera video must be released to the public. The current method of redaction is complicated and outdated. This software is designed to be quick and user-friendly which should increase the number of personnel who are capable of doing redactions while decreasing the amount of time needed for each redaction.

7. Police Range Target System \$50,000

The police range has been equipped with a turning and moving target system to help ensure efficient training occurs for a vital part of the police job. The current range target system is 14 years old and in disrepair. A new modern target system is needed to provide up-to-date training at our facility. This new system will include 10 stations, with wireless remote capabilities and advanced programmable settings. This purchase will ensure that Mesquite Police Officers are trained to react effectively in a deadly force situation.

8. Polygraph Examiner Training \$25,000

The Mesquite Police Department has traditionally maintained a staff of approximately five polygraph operators. Due to retirements and promotions, our current staff is at three. This request would provide funds for two officers to attend the DPS polygrapher training in Austin.

9. Seizure of 2016 Honda Civic \$3,500

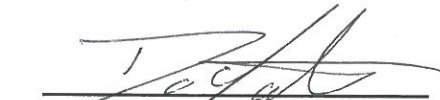
This request is for the cost of forfeiture fees and duty use for a seized 2016 Honda Civic. This vehicle will be used as "bait-car" and equipped with specialized cameras to combat theft crimes in the city. The vehicle will be driven to "bait" locations and used on a limited basis as a covert surveillance vehicle when needed. This request also asks the council to grant the authority to the Chief of Police to sign the attached letter of understanding with the DEA in relation to the vehicle.

Description of Items	Object Code	Requested Amount
1. Dell Performance Desktop Computers	6407	\$12,000
2. CID Data Projection Center	6407	\$11,000
3. CellHawk Software	6212	\$5,500


4. Criminal Investigations Electronic Data Storage	6407	\$25,000
5. Brief Cam	6212	\$40,000
6.Redactive Software	6212	\$20,000
7. Police Range Target System	6407	\$50,000
8. Polygraph Examiner Training	6407	\$25,000
9. Seizure Vehicle	6302	\$3,500

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Total Requested:	\$192,000
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 Doug Yates  
 Captain

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 Charles M. Cato  
 Chief of Police

  
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 Cliff Keheley  
 City Manager