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## MEMORANDUM

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**TO:** Charles Cato, Chief of Police

**THUR:** Robert Piccioni, Assistant Chief of Police

**FROM:** Doug Yates, Police Captain

**DATE:** July 23, 2020

**SUBJECT:** Proposed items for purchase from Federal Seizure Account #SA19/20-351-02

The following items are proposed for purchase from the Federal Seizure account:

1. Police Academy Facility Updates \$7,000

This request is for the purchase of equipment to update room #2102 for the Staff Support bureau. The updates to this room will allow for an additional classroom to provide the department with the ability to conduct two police academy classes simultaneously. Currently, the department does not have this option. This room would also be available as a classroom for in-service training when not being utilized for basic police training. The requested cost will cover audio-visual aids, shelving, a coffee pot, a refrigerator, and other classroom needs including installation by city staff.
2. Staff Support Window Shades \$8,000

This request is for blinds/shades that are needed in the Staff Support offices and the Patrol Conference Room (updated room above) to block out the bright light and glare that radiates into the windows. The existing window treatments will be kept, and these new blackout shades installed over them, giving the option to allow natural light in when needed. These shades will add functionality to the facility.
3. Jail Metal Detectors \$11,000

This purchase is for three walk-through metal detectors to be placed at MPD jail entrances. The metal detectors are to be used by officers who have made a custodial arrest. After manually searching the arrested person the officer will have the person walk through the metal detector to decrease the likelihood that the person will bring a weapon into the jail facility.

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4.	Laboratory Fees	\$60,000
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This request is for the cost of services for NMS Labs to conduct laboratory analysis on various narcotics evidence. Due to recent legislative changes, marijuana cases now require THC quantitation. NMS Labs has developed new testing procedures to accommodate the needs of the department, and to aid in the prosecution of marijuana cases. The lab's services will also include the identification and quantitation of various pharmaceutical drugs to allow for prosecution, as well as processing DNA evidence.

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5.	PSP Vehicle	\$50,000
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In October 2018, a replacement vehicle for the Public Safety Professionals was approved for purchase from the state seizure account. The request was for the purchase of an SUV to replace the Dodge Charger currently in use. Following the approval of that item, the role of the PSP program has changed and it was determined an SUV would not be the best vehicle for the program, so the vehicle was not purchased and the money was returned to the state seizure fund. To better serve the public, we are requesting the purchase of a ¾ ton pickup with a service body to replace the Dodge Charger. This vehicle will be able to tow all of the police equipment trailers used by the PSP program and allow storage of the equipment needed to perform their service assignments.

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6.	Police Range Drainage Updates	\$38,000
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This request is for the drainage work around the range shop. It is to prevent the range building from flooding during a rain event. Due to all of the range construction and the construction around the range at the water treatment plant, the range shop building now floods anytime it rains. All of the water runoff from up the hill runs right into the building and floods it. The water has been as high as 8 inches in the building. The building is then unusable and a safety hazard due to the mud on the floor.

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7.	Ice and Water Dispenser	\$5,000
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This request is for a replacement ice and water dispenser in the administrative office area. The ice machine currently in service has been there since the opening of the building. This machine high use for employees and visitors. The machine has met its service life and needs repairs. The repairs on the machine are more costly than replacing it with a new, similar model.

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8.	Tactical Headsets	\$25,000
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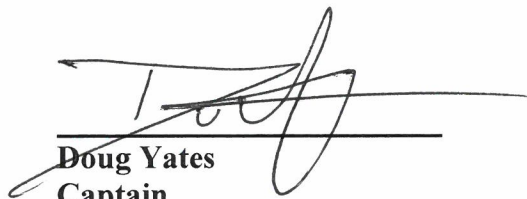
In 2014, the Mesquite Police Department Tactical Team purchased headsets (Peltor Comtac ACH) and have been using them extensively during training and tactical operations. After almost six years of duty and training use, our current headsets are reaching the end of their lifespan, with many sets no longer working properly. The costs of repairing an outdated product (our current assigned ACH model is no longer in production) has reached the point where it is not cost-effective. The Tactical Team is typically close to each other and more often than not, inside a residence or other confined space. The headsets requested here will allow for quality audio while preventing harmful noises such as gunfire. These headsets provide both hearing protection and radio communications and create an effect similar to active noise-canceling headphones.

9. Firearms Simulator

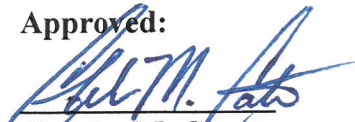
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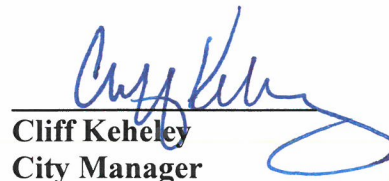
The Mesquite Police Department Training Section requests the purchase of a Firearms Training Simulator. A Firearms Training Simulator would provide our agency with a fully immersive training environment where MPD officers could train in multiple scenarios including shoot-don't shoot, low light, or no light scenarios. This system would increase trainee realism and offer true to life training scenarios allowing trainee responses to multiple threats and applications of proper tactics simultaneously. This system would supplement our current live-fire training and we would be able to enhance our reality-based training while decreasing agency liability. This request includes the cost of a simulator, all accompanying equipment, and a building to house the training.

Description of Items	Object Code	Requested Amount
1. Police Academy Room	6302	\$7,000
2. Staff Support blinds	6407	\$8,000
3. Metal Detectors	6407	\$11,000
4. Lab Fees	6407	\$60,000
5. PSP Vehicle	6407	\$50,000
6. Range drainage	6407	\$38,000
7. Ice and Water Machine	6407	\$5,000
8. Tactical Headsets	6407	\$25,000
9. Firearms Simulator	6407	\$200,000
Total Requested:		\$404,000

  
**Doug Yates**  
**Captain**

Approved:

  
**Charles M. Cato**  
**Chief of Police**

  
**Cliff Keheley**  
**City Manager**