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MEMORANDUM

TO: David Faaborg, Chief of Police

THRU: David Gill, Assistant Chief of Police

FROM: Doug Yates, Police Captain

DATE: August 18, 2021

SUBJECT: Proposed items for purchase from the State Seizure Account #SA21/22-350-01

The following items are proposed from the State Seizure account:

1.	Department Branding Initiative	\$13,000
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This request is for the installation of "branding" elements at the police department. This branding can offer substantial benefits to an organization by piquing the interest of citizens and instilling pride in employees. The branding will include four items:

1. A replica vinyl Mesquite Police patch on the front windows of the police building (near the lobby). The patch will be twenty-three feet in height by nineteen feet wide. The mural will be installed on the windows behind the flag poles at the front of the station, facing Galloway Ave.
2. A media screen backdrop for the patrol squad room. The backdrop will be a standard "step and repeat" of the department name and badge and will be ten feet in height by twelve feet in width. The backdrop will be used for photos, presentations, and video productions.
3. A replica wall badge and challenge coin to be displayed in Staff Support. These items will be visible to recruits during the hiring process.
4. The last item for branding will be ceramic challenge coins. The coins will be used in recruiting and will display images that support the different bureaus in the department.

2.	Tactical Team Helmets	\$37,000
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The ballistic helmets currently issued to the Tactical Team were manufactured and delivered to our department in 2014. Since that time, the team has utilized those helmets in the execution of every operation. At this time, we have currently exceeded the ballistic life expectancy (5 years) of these helmets and as such, are requesting to purchase new helmets to replace the out-of-date

helmets. The price includes accessories to meet our current capabilities and needs (NVG mount, side rails, and adapter plates for hearing protection). These helmets also include an upgraded ballistic visor for officer eye protection.

3. Camera Trailers \$59,000

This request is for two trailer-based camera systems to deter criminal activity. These camera systems will be moveable as needed to address identified hotspots of crime. We currently have two trailer-based camera systems in our fleet and these new trailer-based camera systems will allow us to further expand our footprint into more neighborhoods and retail areas.

4. Narcotics wireless headsets \$2,000

This request is for the approval to purchase seven (7) wireless headsets to be utilized by the Mesquit Police Department Narcotics Unit. The Narcotics Unit is responsible for conducting all undercover and covert operations for the Police Department. The requested items would provide investigators with the ability to effectively communicate undetected with support elements while operating in an undercover capacity. This increases safety and efficiency for operations.

5. Crime Scene cameras \$20,000

This request is for the purchase of six Canon cameras for police use. Currently, The police department uses four similar cameras. These cameras have exceeded their life expectancy. The new cameras will be utilized by crime scene technicians, crime scene investigators, and administrative personnel who are assigned to photography needs for the department. The two additional cameras requested will be for uniformed officers specifically trained for crime scene documentation. It is expected that the additional cameras will help decrease response times to crime scenes, improve overall crime scene documentation, and reduce overtime spent on calling out crime scene investigators.

6. Global Positioning for police radios \$55,000

The activation of the Astro Radio Location Interface feature of the radio system will allow for the location of an individual portable radio, and thereby the officer/firefighter using it, to be determined in real time. Officers and firefighters frequently engage in the most dangerous aspects of their jobs outside of and at distance from their squad cars or other means of geolocation, and this technology will greatly aid in keeping them safe.

7. Cameras for N. Peachtree area \$30,000


This request will facilitate the installation of cameras for surveillance of the public areas within the Peachtree Entertainment District. This will help the help the department prevent crime in the area and increase the efficiency of our patrol response.

8. Fixed LPR installation \$60,000

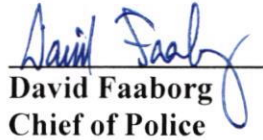
This request will facilitate the installation of License Plate Reader technology to enhance public safety. This installation will cover the intersection of Gross and Peachtree.

Description of Items	Requested Amount
1. Dept Branding	\$13,000
2. Helmets	\$37,000
3. Camera Trailers	\$59,000
4. Narcotics Headsets	\$2,000
5. Crime Scene cameras	\$20,000
6. GPS for Radios	\$55,000
7. Cameras	\$30,000
8. Fixed LPR installations	\$60,000

Total Requested: \$276,000.00


Doug Yates
 Captain

Approved:


David Faaborg
 Chief of Police


Cliff Keneley
 City Manager