

 Council Communication Office of the City Manager	Date	8/21/06
	Agenda Item No. 36A Roll Call No. 06- Communication No. 06-528 Submitted by: Bill McCarthy, Chief of Police	

AGENDA HEADING:

The Purchase and Installation of a Lenco BCTI Thermal Image Camera.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval for the purchase of a thermal image camera from the sole source Lenco Armored Vehicles.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$28,714

Funding Source: 2006-2007 Operating Budget, Index Code POL982200, State Seized Funds

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Through the initiative of Mr. Ted Townsend, a community fund raising effort, administered by the Greater Des Moines Community Foundation, took place and made possible the purchase of new armored vehicle for the Des Moines Police Dept. The vehicle will replace an armored vehicle that is approximately twenty (20) years old and no longer functional. The manufacturer of the vehicle is Lenco Armored Vehicles (10 Betnr Industrial Dr., Pittsfield, MA 01201).

The aforementioned funding does not include the purchase and installation of the thermal image camera, which is only available from Lenco. The Lenco BCTI Thermal Image Camera is the sole source hardware designed by Lenco for placement on the exterior of Lenco armored vehicles. The camera is a valuable asset in identifying personnel and suspects at night and is an essential feature for Homeland Security operations

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

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ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE