



**Council
Communication**
Office of the City Manager

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Agenda Item No.	37D
Roll Call No.	<u>08-</u>
Communication No.	<u>08-105</u>
Submitted by:	Judy A. Bradshaw, Chief of Police

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving the purchase of fifty-four (54) Panasonic laptop computers and various mounting equipment to be used by the Patrol Bureau, Detective Bureau and the Vice and Narcotics Section.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of these 54 laptop computers. The Des Moines Police Department has been working towards a mobile information system to allow the officers access to on-site data through computers mounted in the Police vehicles. The purchase of these additional laptops and mounting equipment will expand the number of vehicles capable of this access.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$352,514.86

Funding Source: Various funding including:

- Operating Budget: E911 Surcharge GE001 POL040900 pg 265 in the amount of \$240,849.06
- COPS Meth Initiative Grant SP751 POL985010 pg 284 in the amount of \$ 111,665.80

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The equipment being purchase will increase the number of officers able to access information as they work in the community. The officers will be better informed with up to date information and any possible alerts which may be associated with a situation. In an effort to maintain consistency and compatibility, the equipment will be purchased from Tough Solution Company per the State of Iowa Contract number CT2972. The use of the state contract as a means of competitive bidding is allowed under City of Des Moines Municipal Code Section 2-726(c).

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE