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AGENDA HEADING:

Approval of proposed amendments to Division 3, Pawnbrokers Ordinance Sections 30-291, 30-292, 30-293, 30-301, and 30-304. A wavier is requested for immediate implementation.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of proposed amendments to the Pawnbrokers Ordinance. The Police Department Detective Bureau has identified a web based automated pawn shop records system that will successfully monitor pawnbroker transactions in the City. In order to implement this system, the existing ordinances associated with the City's pawnbroker records need to be amended.

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

Amount: N/A

Funding Source: N/A

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Since the removal of the main frame computer system, several years ago, the Police Department has been seeking a PC solution for monitoring pawnbroker transactions throughout the City. Recently, a web based application was identified that will provide the data required and has the ability to interface with the Police Department's Records Management System (I/Leads).

Keeping track of pawnbroker transactions in the City is a traditional and effective method of recovering stolen property and identifying theft suspects who prey upon the general public. The automation of this process will effectively reduce valuable time in reviewing daily transactions.

The Police Department is now equipped to institute an informational data base and begin to automate the desired pawnbroker transactions. The Pawnbroker Ordinance amendments will allow implementation of the new automated system and require each pawn license holder to have a computer system that meets the specifications for automated system operation. In addition immediate entry of each transaction into the system is required.

It is the desire of the Police Department that the City Council waive further Council hearings on this matter and approve implementation of these amendments.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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