


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	19-105	Meeting:	March 11, 2019
	Agenda Item:	37C	Roll Call:	19-380
	Submitted by:	Dana Wingert, Chief of Police		

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval to purchase 10 tactical ballistic blanket panel systems from Instant Armor, Inc., 350 E Easy Street Suite 1, Simi Valley, CA 93065, Eric Michaelson, President, for the five statewide Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD)/SWAT teams.

SYNOPSIS:

The tactical ballistic blanket panel system is a versatile, lightweight, effective system consisting of five (5) individual panels for use by a single officer. The panels can also be connected to create a larger blanket to cover multiple individuals. This would allow greater coverage to a larger area behind the barricade.

Each of the five (5) statewide WMD/SWAT certified teams would receive two (2) systems. This would allow 10 members of each team to have an independent panel yet cover the whole team when the panels are connected.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$363,231 total. The City's allocated cost is \$72,649.

Funding Source: HSS00018/Homeland Security 2018 Grant for WMD/SWAT; Recommended Operating Budget; Department Detail for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2019; page 206

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The City of Des Moines serves as the grant coordinator and financial manager at the request of the Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Department, the WMD/SWAT statewide teams and the statewide EOD Bomb teams. Each certified team benefits from the grant funding dependent on their equipment and training needs.
- Each team must maintain their Homeland Security Level 3 certification each year by meeting the required equipment and training required for incident preparedness. The equipment to be purchase is identified by the teams and must receive approval from the Homeland Security Oversight Committee prior to the submission of the grant application.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: October 8, 2018

Roll Call Number: [18-1693](#) and [18-1694](#)

Action: [Intergovernmental](#) 28E Agreement with Metropolitan Advisory Council (MAC) member communities of Altoona, Bondurant, Carlisle, Grimes, Johnston, Norwalk, Pleasant Hill, Polk County, Polk City, Windsor Heights and West Des Moines for funding and maintenance of Homeland Security Services. ([Council Communication No. 18-505](#)) Moved by Coleman to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

(A) [Acceptance](#) of 2018 Homeland Security WMD/SWAT and EOD grant, \$636,838. ([Council Communication No. 18-503](#)) Moved by Coleman to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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