COUNCIL COMMUNICATION				
CITY OF <b>DES MOINES</b> OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER	Number:	24-034	Meeting:	January 22, 2024
	Agenda Item:	39	Roll Call:	24-0125
	Submitted by:	Dana Wingert, Chief of Police		

# **AGENDA HEADING:**

Approval to purchase 51 ballistic helmets and protective body panels for use by the members of the statewide Explosive Ordnance Detection (EOD) taskforce teams. This equipment is available from Streicher's Police Equipment (10911 Hwy 55, Plymouth, MN 55441, Jeremy Jenniges, President), utilizing the State of Iowa participating Addendum and the NASPO ValuePoint Master Agreement #164720.

#### **SYNOPSIS:**

The Police Department recommends the purchase of 51 ballistic helmets and protective body panels. This equipment will be issued to each member of the currently certified statewide EOD taskforce teams. The current protective equipment will reach the end of the recommended five (5)-year effective period in 2024. The helmets will include a rail system that allows the use of existing hands-free individual communication equipment. The protective panels are manufactured to each members specific measurements for proper fit and protection.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Amount: \$162,154.50

Funding Source: 2023 EOD Homeland Security Grant, Special Revenue, and other funding, Page 214

of the 2024 Operating Budget

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

The EOD/Bomb Task Force Leadership Committee has completed a capability and investment justification for the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2023 Homeland Security Grant Program funding based on the National Preparedness Goal, Federal Target Capabilities List, and the Iowa Strategy for Homeland Security and Emergency Management guidelines.

The committee has identified the need to replace the current equipment in efforts to support the safety of EOD team members. Once the purchase is approved, each team member will be measured to ensure the equipment ordered has the proper fit to maximize protection and range of motion for the team member. The ballistic protection equipment must be worn during any call for service to protect from possible airborne debris or gun fire. The bomb technician addressing an explosive device must wear a more extensive protective suit due to their proximity to the device.

# PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE** 

# ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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