



**PURCHASING ITEM
FOR
COUNCIL AGENDA**

1. Agenda Item Number:

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2. Council Meeting Date:
January 17, 2008

TO: MAYOR & COUNCIL

3. Date Prepared: November 30, 2007

THROUGH: CITY MANAGER

4. Requesting Department: Police

5. SUBJECT: Use of Arizona Counter Drug Procurement Program (1122) program to purchase a Ballistic Armored Tactical Transport in an amount of \$189,024.

6. RECOMMENDATION: Recommend approval to use the 1122 program to purchase a Ballistic Armored Tactical Transport in an amount of \$189,024.

7. HISTORICAL BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION: The requested vehicle will be used by the Police Department's Special Assignment Unit, which responds to critical life threatening incidents involving weapons. The Special Assignment Unit is also member of the Statewide, Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) Rapid Response Team (RRT), which when called upon will respond to any WMD event to provide tactical assistance. The armored vehicle is capable of deploying 16 team members and specialized equipment to a critical incident while providing ballistic protection to the occupants.

The vehicle will be utilized to evacuate neighborhoods during critical police incidents and provide ballistic protection to the officers involved in resolving the event. It can also be used to rescue injured officers and civilian personnel that have been caught in a hazardous environment in which a ballistic fortified vehicle is the safest option available to rescue them. WMD and drug cartels run hand-in-hand with their criminal intent and often times use high-powered weapons to protect their illegal enterprises from law enforcement. This vehicle will provide another level of ballistic protection to our officers as they approach a hazardous location and it can also be utilized to defeat a fortified location if necessary.

The Police Department currently uses a small armored vehicle obtained from Military Surplus, which was built in 1981. The "Peacekeeper" is worn and is constantly being repaired in order to keep it in service. This new armored vehicle will provide a more reliable ballistic transport vehicle, better ballistic protection and more space for officers and equipment.

This request is due to a recent evaluation of our current and forecasted RRT capabilities, and we feel the purchase of this armored vehicle would benefit the City of Chandler and the entire RRT family within the State of Arizona.

8. EVALUATION PROCESS: In April of 2000, the City approved the use of the Arizona Counter Drug Procurement Program (1122). This program allows the City to utilize federal contracts to purchase equipment and supplies used in the war on drugs. The requested equipment is available for purchase through the 1122 program. By using this program, the City saves the costs associated with the bid process, and expedites delivery of the purchase.

9. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: Funds for the purchase are available in the Grants In Aid Fund, Fire Administration, Motor Vehicles, Urban Area Security Initiative grant (217.2210.6310.FA1383 - \$97,737.37) and the General Fund, Police Administration, Motor Vehicles (101.2010.6310 - \$91,286.63)

10. PROPOSED MOTION: Move to approve use of the 1122 program to purchase a Ballistic Armored Tactical Transport in an amount of \$189,024.

APPROVALS

11. Requesting Department

Dave Neuman,
Assistant Police Chief

12. Department Head

Sherry Kiyler,
Police Chief

13. Procurement Officer

Mike Mandt

14. City Manager

W. Mark Pentz