SUBJECT: PURCHASE OF POLICE AMMUNITION

SOURCE: Police Department

COMMENT: When inventory of ammunition reaches a predetermined level, the Police Department makes a large purchase of ammunition. Staff has found that purchasing large quantities ensures an adequate supply on hand and saves time over frequently ordering smaller amounts. Ammunition is primarily used for training purposes. The last large purchase of ammunition was in June 2011, and staff anticipates that the following order would last an equivalent period of time. Currently, the inventory levels of ammunition have fallen to the level which requires another purchase.

The Police Department ordinarily purchases ammunition through the CMAS State Contracts. This year, the State Contract vendor (Adamson Police Products) can supply the majority of the ammunition, but, due to a shortage of ammunition, has advised that we will need to obtain the .223 caliber ammunition from a second vendor. Staff is currently soliciting quotes from vendors who can supply the needed ammunition.

Adamson Police Products (CMAS) can supply us with the following ammunition: 26,000 rounds of .40 caliber ammunition, 6,000 rounds of 9mm ammunition, and 500 rounds of .38 caliber ammunition. The total cost would be $7,331.74. Adamson Police Products anticipates the delivery of this ammunition to take approximately 120 days.

Funds for this purchase were approved in the 2012/2013 budget and are currently available in the Police Department budget.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council approve the Police Department’s purchase of the required ammunition in the amount of $7,331.74.