



Director's Justification Memo

DATE: 2/18/22

TO: Lucas Martsof, Assistant Township Manager

FROM: Kevin Meyer, Chief of Police *Kam*

RE: 2022 Handgun Replacement

Munis Project Number: CP012

Munis Account(s): 3400-6340



Check this box if the purchase is part of a capital project.

Project Title:

2022 Handgun Replacement

Purchase / Project Description:

Provide a detail description of the proposed requisition. (650 character limit)

Funding will allow the transition from the current Glock .40 caliber handgun to the Glock Gen5 9mm handgun with Trijicon RMR Type 2 Red Dot sight. This weapon upgrade will improve precision and assist officers with target acquisition and accuracy.

Purchase / Project Justification:

Describe why is this requisition is needed. What alternatives were considered? (650 character limit)

The life expectancy of a police duty firearm is typically 5-8 years, depending on care and maintenance. The current police duty handguns are 9 years old, last replaced in 2013. The Department considered replacing the current model(s) with a newer Gen5 Glock .40 caliber weapon but after careful consideration and testing of both the Glock .40 and the Glock 9mm, it was determined the Glock 9mm with LED optic was the preferred weapon. This decision was based on penetration, accuracy and reduced recoil.

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Purchase Cost Details:

Provide a summary of the estimated costs. (650 character limit.)

33 Gen5 Glock 9mm handguns @\$429.00 ea*
33 Trijicon mounts @ \$12.88 ea.
33 Trijicon RMR adjustable LED sights @ \$435.00 ea.
33 Ameriglo XL Tritium sights @ \$56.50 ea.
31 Safariland holsters @ \$143.22 ea.
*32 Glock .40 caliber trade-in/buy back @ \$-259.00 ea.
Total cost: \$26,837.58

Staff Recommendation:

Describe the basis of your recommendation. (500 character limit.)

The current duty handguns are 9 years old.

Advances in weapon and ammunition technology allow the 9mm round to be comparable to .40 caliber ammunition.

Technological advances in weapon optics now provide for a safe, low-profile LED optic to be mounted on LE handguns to provide for a rapid target acquisition with greater accuracy.

9mm ammunition is more accessible and less expensive than .40 caliber ammunition in both duty and practice rounds.

Vendor will be purchasing existing weapons.

Image:

(Attach image if, applicable.)

