#16-0086

**TO:** Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

**FROM**: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

**DATE**: February 2, 2016

TITLE: Motion to Approve Purchase of Rifles and the Use of Federal Law

Enforcement Trust Fund (Justice) - Bravo Company Manufacturing, Inc. -

\$45,253.25

## Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve the use of the Federal Law Enforcement Trust Fund (Justice) for the purchase of rifles from Bravo Company Manufacturing, Inc. (BCM) in the amount of \$45,253.25.

## **Background**

The Fort Lauderdale Police Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team is responsible for conducting life-saving missions that are beyond the scope of patrol. The SWAT team receives specialized training and uses advanced equipment to conduct rescue missions. The proposed rifles are advanced quality weapons that will provide greater reliability and accuracy needed to conduct rescue missions. By using BCM rifles, SWAT will maintain rifle standardization with recently purchased sniper rifles. Standardization with rifle lower units, trigger assembly, hand-guard rails, and barrels will provide uniformity among officers and reduce the cost of regular maintenance.

Federal Equitable Sharing allows for such purchases using funds from the Department of Justice Asset Forfeiture Program.

Pursuant to Section 2-189, Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, the City may purchase proprietary items, as defined in Section 2-173, without the necessity of public bids. As defined by the Code, a proprietary item is not readily available from more than one supplier, manufacturer, or person and is unique in nature. BCM rifles are manufactured, sold and distributed exclusively by Bravo Company Manufacturing, Inc.

### **Resource Impact**

There will be a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$45,253.25 for FY 2016. Funding is contingent upon the approval of the February 2, 2016 Consolidated Budget Amendment CAM 16-0078.

Funds available as of January 14, 2016					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	PURCHASE AMOUNT
107-POL080301-3999	Justice Department Other	Services & Materials/ Other Supplies	\$1,044,725	\$289,419	\$45,500
		PURCHASE TOTAL ►		\$45,500	

# **Strategic Connections**

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within the Public Safety Cylinders of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 9: Be the safest urban coastal City in South Florida through preventative and responsive police and fire protection.
- Objective 1: Prevent and solve crime in all neighborhoods.

This item advances the Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Community.

### **Related CAM**

#16-0078

# **Attachments**

Exhibit 1 – Bravo Quote Exhibit 2 – Chief's Certification

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