

COUNCIL MEETING  
March 24, 2009

Honorable Mayor and Members  
of the Torrance City Council  
City Hall  
Torrance, California

**Members of the Council:**

**SUBJECT:** Police – Approve a Change Order to San Diego Police Equipment for the purchase of training ammunition. Expenditure: \$10,000.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Recommendation of the Police Chief that Council authorize a change order to increase Purchase Order 2009-00000326 to San Diego Police Equipment from \$35,200 to a new total not to exceed \$45,200 for the purchase of training ammunition.

**Funding**

Funding is available in the Police Department Range Account.

**BACKGROUND**

The Police Department provides sworn personnel with the necessary firearms training so they can become proficient in their duties. Officers first receive firearms training in the police academy. In the academy, recruits fire a minimum of 2,000 rounds each, and additional ammunition is frequently needed for remedial range training. Recruits also attend a Department in-house training course specific to the Glock handgun and Department-approved tactics. The Department usually meets its training ammunition needs from its operating budget, though ammunition prices are continually escalating due to limited availability and raw materials costs.

**ANALYSIS**

There will be an increase in Police Recruit hiring this Spring. This is to take full advantage of the number of Los Angeles County academy classes available this year, which have been reduced due to County budget constraints. The Department wishes to get the maximum number of recruits in the academy classes so as to maintain staffing.

The increase in new recruits will raise the demand on training ammunition to 30,000 rounds, coming from the 100,000 rounds now available in Department inventory. Authorizing the purchase of additional ammunition to supplement existing inventory will ensure there is adequate ammunition for both academy recruits and regular Department Range training.

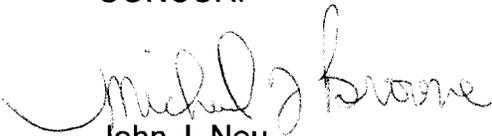
To facilitate this purchase, staff requests that existing purchase order 2009-00000326 to San Diego Police Equipment of San Diego, CA for ammunition be increased by \$10,000, for a new total not to exceed \$45,200.

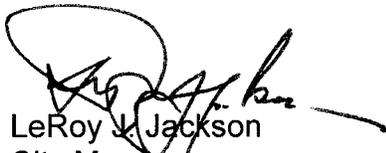
Respectfully submitted,

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CONCUR:

  
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