

CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

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September 21, 2004

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

SUBJECT: Amend City Contract Number 28872 With ProForce Marketing, Inc., to

Purchase Additional Tasers (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

On August 3, 2004, the City Council adopted a Resolution (attached) authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with ProForce Marketing, Inc., for the purchase of 260 tasers and accessories in an amount not to exceed \$284,000. ProForce Marketing, Inc., is the sole distributor of tasers and accessories in California.

Grant funding has been allocated for the purchase of an additional 225 tasers and accessories this fiscal year. Additional allocations supported by State and Federal funds are expected in the near future. In order to expedite future purchases and increase the number of officers equipped to respond with a less-lethal weapon when confronted with violent and non-compliant subjects, the Police Department is requesting authorization to purchase up to 1,000 tasers plus accessories. While the City currently does not have plans to purchase 1,000 additional tasers, this authorization will allow for future purchases as funding becomes available.

This matter was reviewed by Senior Deputy Attorney Donna F. Gwin and Budget Management Officer David Wodynski on September 10, 2004.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on September 21, 2004, to expedite the first purchase of 225 tasers and accessories, which provide less-lethal equipment for police officers.

FISCAL IMPACT

The current need for 225 tasers and accessories in the amount of \$246,014 will be funded by the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant VIII (SR 120) in the amount of \$189,191, which includes a City match in the amount of \$21,021, and the State COPS Grant (SR 120) in the amount of \$46,281. Additional tasers will be purchased as State and Federal grant monies become available.

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IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

Authorize the City Manager to execute the amendment with ProForce Marketing, Inc., for the purchase of additional tasers and accessories pursuant to City Contract Number 28872.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment APPROVED:

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