



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Sheriff
Department No.: 032
For Agenda Of: 01-23-2007
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: 4/5

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Sheriff Bill Brown
Director(s)
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SUBJECT: Donation of the Ballistic Engineered Armored Response vehicle to Sheriff's Department valued at \$362,364.33

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Other Concurrence: N/A

As to form: No

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

Accept the donation of a B.E.A.R. (Ballistic Engineered Armored Response) vehicle from Santa Barbara County Search and Rescue to the Sheriff's Department valued at \$362,364.33.

Summary Text:

The Santa Barbara Search & Rescue team (SAR), a non-profit organization not affiliated with the County of Santa Barbara, received a donation to build a special response vehicle for the Sheriff's Department. SAR ordered and received the specialty vehicle from Lenco Armored Vehicles, based in Pittsfield, MA. The B.E.A.R. (Ballistic Engineered Armored Response) vehicle is designed to handle various emergency response scenarios, including the insertion of a SWAT team, command and control, tactical Emergency Medical Service (EMS), hostage rescue and group evacuations. This vehicle replaces an aging armored personnel carrier currently in use by the department. The current vehicle has become unreliable and mechanically unsound, requiring thousands of dollars of maintenance each year. The vehicle fleet will not be increased with the addition of the B.E.A.R. vehicle.

Background:

This recommendation action is aligned with Goal #2, A Safe and Healthy Community in Which to Live, Work and Visit. The Sheriff's Department maintains the capability to respond to a myriad of threats, emergencies and other calls for assistance. The donation of the B.E.A.R. vehicle will enhance the

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

department's capabilities in response to these threats as well as save the department money in the maintenance of the specialty vehicles.

The Search and Rescue Team (SAR) is a California Non-Profit Public Benefit Corporation organized for charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: No

Fiscal Analysis:

Narrative:

The value of the donated vehicle is \$362,364.33. As it is a donation of a fixed asset, no budget revision is necessary. This vehicle will replace an existing armored personnel carrier; the department vehicle fleet will not grow. The B.E.A.R. vehicle will be accounted for as an operating cost vehicle. This means that all costs associated with the vehicle such as gas and maintenance will be charged directly to the department. It is anticipated that the impact of the new vehicle on the operating budget of the Sheriff's department will be minimal. Increased costs related to gas consumed due to training and operations will be offset by lower maintenance costs.

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