



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

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**DEPARTMENT:** Finance

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Troy Elliott

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** City Wide

### **SUBJECT:**

Purchase of SAPD Rifles and Additional Parts for SWAT Unit

### **SUMMARY:**

This ordinance accepts the offer from Lewis Machine & Tool Company for the purchase of 28 Defender rifles, and additional parts to support training in the amount of \$56,149.31. The rifles and additional parts are intended for use by the SWAT Unit for critical incident deployments and high risk warrant services. Funding for this purchase is available through the 2017 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program, specifically for SWAT "Controlled" Equipment.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Submitted for City Council consideration and action is the offer from Lewis Machine & Tool (LMT) Company for the purchase of 28 Defender rifles and additional parts required to support monthly proficiency training and annual qualification requirements. The LMT MRP Defender Piston 12" 5.56 Rifle was selected by the SWAT team during a testing and evaluation period conducted over several years. This particular rifle was chosen as the rifle that best suits the team's needs to complete its mission based on functionality, reliability and practical accuracy. The procurement also includes Amorer's Training that will be conducted by LMT.

This is a one-time purchase valued at \$56,149.31 for 28 rifles, additional parts and training. Funding for this purchase is available through the 2017 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program, specifically for SWAT "Controlled" Equipment.

### **ISSUE:**

The SAPD is seeking authorization for the purchase of 28 Defender Rifles and additional parts to maintain rifles and support training requirements. The rifle requirements were developed by the San Antonio SWAT personnel and LMT directly and specifically for operational use by SWAT personnel based on the teams existing AR15 weapon standard, maintenance and reliability requirements in a testing and evaluation process. LMT is the manufacturer of the rifles and additional parts and it is their policy is to directly service law enforcement agencies.

The Small Business Economic Development Advocacy Ordinance requirements were waived due to the lack of qualified SMWBE's available to provide the goods and services.

A Public Health or Safety Exemption was utilized for this one-time purchase from Lewis Machine & Tool Company.

This contract is an exception to the Local Preference Program.

The Veteran-Owned Business Program does not apply to good/supplies contracts, so no preference was applied to this contract.

#### **ALTERNATIVES:**

Should this contract not be approved, the SWAT Unit will be unable to utilize grant funding to purchase new rifles and related maintenance parts. The SWAT Unit will keep the older AR15 weapons in their operational inventory.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The total cost for this one-time purchase is \$56,149.31. Funding for this purchase is available through the 2017 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program, specifically for SWAT "Controlled" Equipment.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of the offer from Lewis Machine & Tool Company for the purchase of 28 Defender rifles, and additional parts to maintain rifles, support monthly proficiency training and annual qualification requirements for the total amount of \$56,149.31.