

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

From: The City Manager

Subject: Ballistic Vests for Police Officers

Manager's Recommendation:

I recommend issuance of a purchase order and payment to Gatorhawk Armor in the amount of \$4,256 for the emergency purchase of seven (7) ballistic vests to outfit seven police officers upon hiring.

This vendor meets all requirements of the Contract Compliance Provisions, Title 1, Chapter 14, §14.35-14.44, of the Saginaw Code of Ordinances.

Funds are available in Police Department's Building Maintenance Division Clothing Supplies Account No. 101-3014-721.73-03.

Justification:

The Saginaw Police Department is in the process of hiring seven (7) police officers by March 2009. Along with the standard police uniforms, the officers will need to be outfitted with ballistic vests which will provide protection against serious injury as they perform their duties of serving and protecting the community.

The vests could take up to eight weeks to get delivered, therefore, making this request to order the ballistic vests emergency in nature.

Council Action:

Council _____ moved that the recommendation of the City Manager be approved.