

Wednesday, December 29, 2004

Honorable Mayor and Members of
The Hermosa Beach City Council

Regular meeting of
Jan 11th, 2005

PURCHASE OF NEW DIGITAL RECORDERS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that Council:

1. Authorize the purchase of twenty (20) Sony digital recorders for the traffic and patrol officers at a total cost of \$6,968.58.

Background

The Police Department is currently purchasing the first phase of a digital recording/storage system that will eventually include: 1) A Police Station (Jail/Lobby) digital recording and digital storage system. 2) Digital patrol car cameras. 3) Personal digital audio recording devices.

The Sony digital recorders listed above will initially be used as the primary audio recording devices for the officers to record police/public contacts in the field. These devices will later become back-up recorders when we move to a device that transmits digital audio data back to the patrol car where it is stored with the digital image from the car camera. This purchase is being made directly from Sony which is the **sole source** for this device.

FISCAL IMPACT

The funds required for the purchase of these recorders have been appropriated in the COPS Fund for the 2004/2005 fiscal year as a portion of the Digital patrol car camera system. Twenty (20) Sony digital recorders at a cost of \$5,399.20 with Twenty (20) 128 MB Memory Sticks at a cost of \$899.80 plus tax and shipping of \$669.58 equals a total cost of \$6968.58. This price includes a government purchase discount.

Respectfully submitted,

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