

REQUEST FOR LEGISLATION

August 1, 2006

FROM: Matthew E. Harshberger, I/Chief of Police

SUBJECT: Replacement of Police Station Surveillance Video

SUMMARY & BACKGROUND:

The Police Department applied for, and was awarded Bureau of Justice Assistance Grant funds from the U.S. Department of Justice for the replacement of the in-station video surveillance equipment. Due to technology limitations at the time, the current digitally based system was only capable of recording one channel of audio. The proposed system will give the department the ability to record eight separate channels. Audio currently is only recorded in the main intake area of the police department. The new system will have the ability to record audio in both holding cells, all the interrogation rooms, police lobby, and the garage entrance to the main prisoner intake area. Fixed cameras will also be added to several locations in and around the police station. The server on the new surveillance camera system will also have 3.5 terabyte of available hard disk space, which we enable the police department to increase the frames per second rate that the current 1.2 terabyte system records at, which will greatly improve the clarity of the recorded video. This system will be purchased using the GSA pricing guidelines (U.S. General Services Administration) which is a federal government competitive bid process. Abel Electronics of St. Clair Shores will provide and install the new system. The purchase price of the new system will be \$40,000.00.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve the purchase of the Pelco digital video system, from Abel Electronics of St. Clair Shores, Michigan. The total cost of the request is \$40,000.00, said funds to come from Account # 101-328-987-40.

ATTACHMENTS:

CITY MANAGER APPROVAL: _____

COUNCIL AGENDA DATE: _____

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS:

FINANCE DIRECTOR APPROVAL: _____

