



ALBANY CITY COUNCIL
SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA

Wednesday, June 22

6:00 p.m.

Council Chambers, City Hall
333 Broadalbin Street SW

Hybrid Format

Please note one revised agenda item for this meeting:

1. Revised item – 13, executive session

The subject of this agenda item has changed. The item to be discussed under ORS 192.660 (2)(f) and ORS 192.345 (18) will be discussed in open session. A memo is attached.

The subject of the executive session will be labor negotiations, under authority of ORS 192.660 (2)(d).



MEMO

TO: Albany City Council

VIA: Peter Troedsson, City Manager

FROM: Marica Harden, Police Chief
Brad Liles, Police Captain

DATE: June 6, 2022, for the June 22, 2022, City Council Regular Session

SUBJECT: Purchase of Counter-narcotics equipment for LINE Task Force

Relates to Strategic Plan Theme: An Effective Government, Safe City

Action Requested:

Staff recommends City Council approve an exemption from competitive bidding and support the single source purchase of investigative equipment using APD equipment replacement funds.

Discussion:

In response to rising crime rates, and specifically drug trafficking and associated serious negative impacts on our community, the Linn Interagency Narcotics Enforcement (LINE) Task Force, administered by the Albany Police Department, is seeking the opportunity to purchase more effective investigative equipment, from Crime Point, a sole source vendor. The equipment will be utilized by LINE to assist with major drug trafficking investigations, and will also be available to assist with other investigations.

The investigative equipment will come with a two-year warranty and ongoing tech support. Oregon-Idaho High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) has approved the use of discretionary funding to pay for this equipment for LINE. APD must make the initial purchase of the equipment, using equipment replacement funds, and submit proof of purchase to Oregon-Idaho HIDTA, which will then reimburse us for the cost of the vehicle and equipment. The cost of the equipment is \$115,000. The LINE Task Force would be responsible for ongoing insurance and maintenance costs for this equipment, which would be funded through the annual LINE budget.

This equipment gives LINE the opportunity to significantly improve investigative capabilities, increasing their ability to disrupt and dismantle drug trafficking organizations. The equipment would also be available to any requesting HIDTA initiative within the Oregon-Idaho HIDTA, as well as any agency in need. This piece of equipment will benefit both local and regional investigatory needs and benefit the Oregon-Idaho HIDTA's mission.

This type of equipment is hard to acquire for agencies our size because of the large upfront cost. The LINE Task Force is fortunate to be able to acquire equipment because the expense is being fully reimbursed by Oregon-Idaho HIDTA.