



## AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting November 12, 2019

**DATE:** November 12, 2019

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### Handgun Lights for CCPD

#### CAPTION:

Motion approving the purchase from GT Distributors, Inc. of Austin, Texas for a total amount not to exceed \$103,155.00, for weapon-mounted Surefire X300 Ultra LED handgun lights to be used by the Corpus Christi Police Department (CCPD) to accompany the new Smith and Wesson M&P 9mm service weapons, with funding through the CC Crime Control Fund.

#### SUMMARY:

This motion authorizes a purchase from GT Distributors, Inc., for 500 weapon-mounted Surefire X300 Ultra LED Handgun Lights to be used by the CCPD to accompany the new Smith and Wesson M&P 9mm service weapons to improve police officer safety.

#### BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The CCPD is currently transitioning from Smith and Wesson M&P .40 caliber services weapons to Smith and Wesson M&P 9mm service weapons. The City Council approved the purchase on April 30, 2019. The Crime Control and Prevention District Board approved the funding to outfit weapon-mounted tactical lights in the FY2019-2020 budget.

In an effort to improve police officer safety, CCPD is purchasing weapon-mounted lighting systems for the new service weapons. Weapon-mounted lights are primary lighting systems used during low light or no light situations when police officers need to identify threats. Currently, officers are using flashlights in these situations.

In review of the lighting system needed to accompany the new Smith and Wesson M&P 9mm, the Surefire X300U Ultra LED Handgun Light through GT Distributors was identified as the compatible light for the new weapons.

The Contracts and Procurement Department is making this purchase through the BuyBoard Cooperative. Contracts awarded through the Cooperative have been competitively procured and are in compliance with Texas State and Local procurement requirements.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

In the absence of this purchase of the weapon-mounted lights, officers could continue to use their handheld flashlight. The current method of holding the flashlight in one hand and the weapon in the other, compromises officer safety and limits force options for the officer during low light or no light situations.

Additionally, the new weapon (Smith and Wesson M&P 9mm) holster requires the lighting system (Surefire X300u) to secure the weapon in the holster. Delays in purchasing the lighting system would halt the transition to the new weapon system due to the design of the holster.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The purchase of 500 Surefire X300U Ultra LED handgun lights in the amount of \$103,155.00 was approved by the Crime Control and Prevention District Board for the FY2019-2020 budget. This purchase from GT Distributors, Inc. is for weapon-mounted handgun lights for the new Smith and Wesson M&P 9mm service weapons.

**Funding Detail:**

Fund:	9010	CC Crime Contrl
Organization/Activity:	11711	CCCCPD-Police Ofcr Cost
Mission Element:	151	RespondToLawEnforecementCalls
Project # (CIP Only):	N/A	
Account:	520090	Minor Tools & Equip

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of this motion authorizing the purchase from GT Distributors Inc. for weapon-mounted Surefire X300 Ultra LED handgun lights to be used by the Corpus Christi Police Department (CCPD) to accompany the new Smith and Wesson M&P 9mm service weapons as presented.

**LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

Price Sheet