POLICE DUTY GEAR AND AMMUNITION

- The Killeen Police Department purchases police duty gear, body armor and ammunition from GT Distributors, Inc.
- GT Distributors, Inc. is the only authorized LE distributor in Texas for Vista Outdoor, the parent company of Federal Premium and Speer Ammunition.
- Ammunition is purchased under TXMAS contract.
- Duty gear and body armor is purchased under TASB Buyboard contract.
- Current fiscal year expenditures to GT Distributors, Inc. is projected to be approximately \$324,565.

Police Duty Gear and Ammunition

- Increased ammunition expense reflects consolidation of primary ammunition purchases for entire department (Training and Patrol/SWAT).
- Increased duty gear expense reflects year one of a new initiative to outfit all uniformed officers with an external vest carrier and accessories, to improve comfort and long-term wellness.

Funding

- Previous Fiscal Year expenses:
 - Ammunition:

\$111,650

- Duty Gear and Body Armor: \$99,750
- □ Projected Expenses:
 - Ammunition:

\$131,164

- Duty Gear and Body Armor: \$193,401
- □ Total projected expenses for the previous fiscal year were approximately \$211,400. Current fiscal year expenses are projected to be approximately \$324,565. The Police Department has budgeted funds available for this expense.

- □ Disapprove purchases.
 - Doing so will adversely affect the department's ability to train and properly equip officers.
- Approve the purchases as proposed.

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the City Manager or his designee be authorized to execute the described purchase of police duty gear, body armor and ammunition from GT Distributors, Inc. through purchasing cooperatives TXMAS and TASB BuyBoard, an expense not to exceed \$324,565 in city funds for the current fiscal year.