POLICE DUTY GEAR AND AMMUNITION

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Police Duty Gear and Ammunition

- The Police Department purchases duty gear, body armor and ammunition from GT Distributors, Inc.
- GT Distributors is the only authorized LE distributor in Texas for Vista Outdoors, 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.

Funding

- Current Fiscal Year expenses:
 - □ Ammunition: \$18,701
 - □ Duty Gear: \$6,908
- Projected Expenses:
 - □ Ammunition: \$20,500
 - □ Duty Gear: \$2,000
 - □ Body Armor: \$18,600
- Total projected expenses for the current fiscal year are projected to be approximately \$66,709. The Police Department has budgeted funds available for this purchase.

- □ Delay purchases until FY 19-20.
 - 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 that will exceed \$50,000 in city funds to one vendor for the current fiscal year.