



AGENDA ITEM # 8.3

REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

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Subject: Request for ARPA funds for radio replacement

Report: The mobile squad radios currently used by the police department are outdated. The radios are no longer being supported by Motorola. In addition, due to privacy laws, changes are coming that will require encryption of radio transmissions for law enforcement. The technology of our current radios will not meet this requirement. Encryption is required for interoperability with other agencies. This also applies to our portable radios. Over the last few years, several portable radios have been replaced with this in mind.

ARPA funds are qualified to purchase new radios based on interoperability. This is a requirement our department will need to address soon. The cost of mobile radios is approximately \$7,000 per radio and the cost of portable radios is approximately \$4,000 per radio.

Council Action Requested: Approval of \$45,000 of ARPA funds for replacing mobile and portable radios for the police department.