

September 10, 2009

TO: Safety Committee

FROM: Chief Taylor

REF: September Safety Meeting

1. Weapon Mounts – We have evaluated the mounting system for the patrol rifles and less lethal shotguns (bean bag) and have determined that having both in the drivers area would be the most advantageous. Currently the vehicles are set up to have either a shotgun or rifle mounted on the cage frame above the driver. With only one weapon mounted inside the car the other is then mounted in the trunk. If the need arise to use either weapon it would be best to have them readily available inside the patrol car.

The best mount for the configuration of our equipment is the GR9 dual mount from Patriot Weapon Mounts. We have received three bids on the mounts with the best bid from Express Police Supply. Installation would be handled by the city.

The three bids are as listed below.

	Each	For 5
Ed Roehr Safety	\$279.95	\$1,399.75
Ka-Comm	\$350.00	\$1,750.00
Express Police Supply	\$262.50	\$1,312.50

The funding for the mounts would come from the Special Law Enforcement Fund that is restricted to the purchase of non-budgeted police equipment that comes from seizures and grants.

I request that the city purchase five Patriot Weapon GR9 Duel weapon mounts from Express Police Supply in the amount of \$1,312.50 plus shipping with the money coming from the Special Law Enforcement Fund.

2. Talon Stationary Radar – One of the two Kustom Signals Talon handheld stationary radars that the department has was sent in for an estimate for repair. The audio function of the unit had stopped working and the unit was taken out of service. The estimate for repair was given at \$559.48. As a comparison I had Kustom Signals give me a quote for a new Talon II stationary radar and was told a new unit would be \$1,076.00.

The Talon radars were purchased in February of 2002 and have worked well over the past almost 8 years. I hesitate to spend half the cost of a new radar on an older unit that may have additional maintenance concerns in the future. Because of the cost involved I recommend that the council authorize the purchase of a new Talon II radar from Kustom Signals to replace the current radar rather than repair the unit.