

# CITY OF LODI

# COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Adopt resolution authorizing the purchase of Hazardous Materials Gas Detector for Fire Department Hazardous Materials Team (Asset Seizure funds \$2,500) (PD)

MEETING DATE: April 16, 2003

PREPARED BY: Police Chief and Fire Chief

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That Council approve the purchase of a Hazardous Materials Gas Detector using Asset Seizure Funds.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Lodi Fire Department Hazardous Materials Team responds with the Lodi Police Department to clandestine drug labs to provide support and decontamination services. The Hazardous Materials Team has used gas detectors since its inception. The technology and reliability of detectors has increased considerably allowing for increased accuracy, hence safer operations. Recently, during a joint police and fire department operation, the current detector did not operate properly and field repairs were unable to be effective. A second detector had to be brought in, causing a delay in this operation. The current monitor is not able to be properly calibrated rendering it useless. Safety of personnel and the public is of paramount importance and by purchasing a new monitor/detector, calibrating gasses, and the appropriate sensors the safe operation at these incidents will be increased.

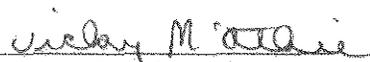
Estimated cost for detector and calibrating gasses \$2,500.00 (tax included).

Both the Police Chief and Fire Chief agree this purchase is necessary for both departments and the Police Chief agrees purchase of this detector is an appropriate use of Asset Seizure Funds.

FUNDING: Asset Seizure Funds

  
Jerry Adams  
Police Chief

  
Michael E. Pretz  
Fire Chief

  
Vicky McAthie  
Finance Director

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

  
H. Dixon Flynn -- City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-63

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL  
AUTHORIZING USE OF ASSET SEIZURE FUNDS TO  
PURCHASE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS GAS DETECTOR  
FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT HAZARDOUS MATERIALS TEAM

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WHEREAS, the Lodi Fire Department Hazardous Materials Team responds with the Lodi Police Department to clandestine drug labs to provide support and decontamination services; and

WHEREAS, the Hazardous Materials Team has utilized gas detectors since its inception, and the technology and reliability of detectors has increased considerably allowing for increased accuracy and safer operations; and

WHEREAS, recently on a joint police and fire operation, the current detector did not operate properly and a second detector had to be brought in, causing a delay in the operation; and

WHEREAS, safety of personnel and the public is of paramount importance; therefore, staff recommends the purchase of a new monitor/detector in the approximate amount of \$2,500.00 using Asset Seizure Funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lodi City Council does hereby approve the purchase of Hazardous Materials Gas Detector for Fire Department Hazardous Materials Team utilizing \$2,500.00 from Asset Seizure funds.

Dated: April 16, 2003

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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2003-63 was passed and adopted by the Lodi City Council in a regular meeting held April 16, 2003, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Beckman, Hansen, Howard, Land, and Mayor Hitchcock

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

  
SUSAN J. BLACKSTON  
City Clerk