

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 1, 1985

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COUNCIL AUTHORIZES DISPOSAL OF WEAPONS Council was apprised that Chief of Police Williams has recommended the sale of several weapons presently in use by department officers which may be unsafe in certain circumstances and of a number of weapons confiscated by department personnel over a period of time.

COUNCIL AUTHORIZED THE SALE, BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, OF CERTAIN SURPLUS WEAPONS AND FURTHER, AUTHORIZED THE PROCEEDS OF SAID SALE TO BE USED FOR REPLACEMENT AND ADDITIONAL WEAPONS AS NEEDED.

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COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

TO: THE CITY COUNCIL

DATE

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FROM: THE CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

April 26, 1985

SUBJECT: DISPOSAL OF WEAPONS

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council authorize the sale, by the Police Department, of certain surplus weapons and further, authorize the proceeds of said sale to be used for replacement and additional weapons as needed.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The attached memo prepared by Chief of Police Floyd Williams recommends the sale of several weapons presently in use by our officers which may be unsafe in certain circumstances. In addition, it would be appropriate to also dispose of a number of weapons confiscated by department personnel over a period of time. Chief Williams has made arrangements for the efficient disposal of these weapons as discussed in his memo.

The timing is critical because the California Penal Code provides that the sale of such weapons may be accomplished each year only during the period of July 1 to July 10. The weapons auctioneers need time to inventory and otherwise organize and ready this surplus material for sale. This is a routine item and as such has been placed on the Consent Calendar. However, Chief Williams will be in attendance in the event Council Members have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas A. Peterson
City Manager

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LODI POLICE DEPARTMENT

Floyd A. Williams
Chief of Police

Thomas A. Peterson
City Manager



April 19, 1985

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ALICE M. REIMCHE
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CITY OF LODI

To: Thomas A. Peterson, City Manager
From: Floyd A. Williams, Chief of Police
Subject: Disposal of Weapons

We have two categories of weapons which I would like to have auctioned off, with the proceeds of the sale used to restock our Armory with new weapons.

The first is City owned handguns. We recently learned that several of the City owned and issued .38 caliber Smith & Wesson revolvers are pre-1958 and are unsafe when used in conjunction with today's police ammunition. These weapons are being identified and picked up at the present time and will need replacement.

The second are those weapons we have confiscated over the years because of having been used in a crime. At the present time our gun locker (used for storage of these weapons) is bulging. By law, we have two options (per 12028 Penal Code):

- 1) Sell at auction, or
- 2) Destroy

The second option is both time consuming and costly. The first would pay for weapons we need in our Armory without asking for additional funds.

Roger Ernst & Associates Auctioneers will handle the auction for us, selling only to individuals possessing a federal firearms license. They will, upon completion of the auction, supply us with a list of the weapons sold, to whom sold and the price received for each weapon. A copy of this list is then sent to the State of California Department of Justice, showing disposition. For their service, Ernst keeps 25% of the gross - out of which they pay all expenses.

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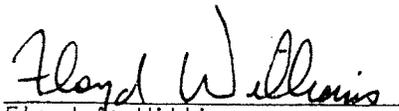
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Due to time constraints (sale must be between July 1 and July 10), it is important to get this before Council. Ernst states they need to start on the process by the second week in May. I request a shirt-sleeve on either April 23 or April 30, and consent calendar on May 1, 1985.

We do not need Council authorization to sell the weapons but we do need authorization to use the funds for replacement and additional weapons. Also, we need them declared as surplus - those weapons which are City owned. I will furnish a list as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,



Floyd A. Williams
Chief of Police

FAW: jkm

LODI POLICE DEPARTMENT

Memorandum

To: Floyd A. Williams, Chief of Police
From: Lieutenant Bruce F. McDaniel, Rangemaster
Date: April 29, 1985
Subject: Obsolete Weapons - Disposition - Inventory

- 1) Two (2) Harrington & Richards .45 caliber Model 50 Machine Guns
Serials (a) 941 (b) 829
Including approximately ten 20-round clips.
- 2) One Thompson Submachine Gun, .45 caliber, Model 1928A1, Serial
Number 317168
Includes two 50-round drums, one approximately 30-round clip and
four 20-round clips.
- 3) A total of twenty (20) Smith & Wesson .38 caliber 4" barrel revolvers,
all six shot capacity. Serials listed below:
 - 1) K331021*
 - 2) K331387*
 - 3) K239891*
 - 4) K240118*
 - 5) 329743*
 - 6) K239970
 - 7) K214071
 - 8) K239766
 - 9) K239550
 - 10) K239747
 - 11) K330025
 - 12) K239940
 - 13) K239197
 - 14) K239774
 - 15) K239205
 - 16) K240882
 - 17) K329577
 - 18) K331342
 - 19) V162768
 - 20) K241011

* = No grips.

Respectfully submitted,


Lieutenant Bruce F. McDaniel
Rangemaster

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