



Department Source: Police

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: March 18, 2019

Re: Resolution authorizing Chief of Police to execute agent receipt/agent authorization contract for the destruction of firearms as needed.

Executive Summary

Staff has prepared for Council consideration a resolution authorizing the Chief of Police, with consent of City Manager to execute an agency receipt/agent authorization contract with GUNBUSTERS, LLC for firearm destruction on an as needed basis.

Discussion

Staff would request the passing of a resolution authorizing the Chief of Police, with consent of City Manager, to execute agency receipt/agent authorization contracts with GUNBUSTERS, LLC, in substantially the same form attached hereto as Exhibit A, for the destruction of firearms.

GUNBUSTERS, LLC provides a pulverization process that is safe, secure and free of charge to law enforcement agencies. The process includes computer video allowing the agency to document the actual destruction of each firearm with make, model, serial number, agency inventory number, date and time stamp. GUNBUSTERS, LLC is currently the firearms destruction provider for over 230 law enforcement agencies including the Missouri State Highway Patrol, Jefferson City Police Department and the Missouri Conservation Department.

Per federal guidelines, GUNBUSTERS, LLC requires the receipt/authorization contract be signed each time the service is rendered. The Columbia Police Department expects to have at least 4 of these contracts per year, with the possibility of additional contracts as needed. Authorizing the Chief of Police to execute said contract will ensure firearms that are seized by or surrendered and set for destruction will be done so in a timely manner, minimizing liability and more efficiently managing the property and evidence unit.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: No additional costs anticipated for years one and two, as the service is provided free of charge to law enforcement agencies.

Long-Term Impact: No additional costs anticipated for years beyond two.



Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Public Safety, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History

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Suggested Council Action

Should council agree, staff recommends passage of resolution authorizing Chief of Police to execute agency receipt/agent authorization contracts with GUNBUSTERS, LLC for the destruction of firearms as needed.