THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE

Staff Report

Council Meeting Date: July 25, 2023

Subject: UNCA Campus Police Donation

Staff Resource(s): Chief David Zack, Captain Janice Hawkins

Action Requested: Adoption of a resolution authorizing the City Manager to donate used police related gear and equipment to the University of North Carolina Asheville (UNCA) campus police department..

Background:

- Due to staffing shortages, the Asheville Police Department has a surplus of police related gear and equipment.
- The Asheville Police Department (APD) purchased ballistic rifle plates in 2016.
- The vests have a 10 year warranty and are set to expire in 2026.
- All officers currently have rifle plates issued to them and we do not anticipate filling all vacancies before the surplus vests are expired.
- The UNCA campus police do not currently have something comparable to the rifle plates.
- The equipment is well used but still functioning.
- Other equipment includes,used handcuffs, flashlights, winter coats, and rifle slings, all of which are no longer the style or brand that the APD issues.
- The radios are no longer compatible with the APDs Radio Management Program.
- UNCA has expressed a need for these items.

Council Goal(s):

- Connected and Engaged Community

Committee(s):

- None

Pro(s):

- Build partnership with a local agency who has expressed a need for the items.
- Get possibly life saving equipment into the hands of an agency that could use it.

Con(s):

- None

Fiscal Impact:

- Some equipment might have nominal resale value as surplus property, however, enhancing the capacity of a local law enforcement agency to perform its duties, and the goodwill the City would gain by donating this equipment, far outstrips its monetary value.
- Donated items are not what is currently issued, will expire before being able to be issued, or are not compatible with other equipment.

Suggested Motion:

- Motion to authorize the City of Asheville to donate used police related equipment to UNCA campus police.

Attachment(s):

- Resolution
- Inventory List

RESOLUTION NO. 23-____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO DONATE SURPLUS USED POLICE EQUIPMENT TO THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA ASHEVILLE CAMPUS POLICE

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute § 160A-280 allows for donations of surplus, unused, or otherwise obsolete personal property to other governmental units; and

WHEREAS, the Asheville Police Department has a surplus of equipment that is no longer used by the department, or is expiring soon.

WHEREAS, the City of Asheville considers the used items to be surplus, unused, or otherwise obsolete; and

WHEREAS, the University of North Carolina Asheville has expressed a need for the equipment; and

WHEREAS, the University of North Carolina Asheville is another governmental unit; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of North Carolina General Statute § 160A-280, the City of Asheville has posted public notice of this proposed Resolution at least five days prior to the adoption of this Resolution approving the donation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE THAT:

1. The used equipment is declared surplus, unused, or otherwise obsolete; and,

2. The City Manager is hereby authorized to donate and transfer ownership of the surplus, unused, or otherwise obsolete equipment to the University of North Carolina Asheville.

Read, approved and adopted this 25th day of July, 2023.

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City Clerk Mayor

Approved as to form:

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City Attorney

UNCA Campus Police Donation Equipment Inventory June, 2023			
Description	**Quantity**	**Est. Value**	
Rifle Plate Carrier	20	175.00 ea	$3,500.00
456644/456651			
454353/435720			
435745/435744			
435712/435768			
456625/456626			
456442/456445			
435773/435568			
456542/456543			
413292/413294			
367900/357899			
435779/435756			
435514/456524			
456580/456581			
456424/456430			
456398/456399			
406419/406415			
456440/456441			
435774/435769			
456633/456632			
456432/435821			
Soft Body Armor	10	250.00 ea	$2,500
220000156230/220000156259			
190000301418/190000301484			
190000272778/190000272783			
220000030694/220000030711			
190000023345/190000023351			

220000156227/SF0220040555			
190000083015/190000083018			
200000044146/200000044286			
200000182107/200000182148			
200000182095/200000182132			
Other Misc. Items			
Breacher Tool Kit	2	$100.00 ea	$200
Command Board	3	$200.00 ea	$600
NightStick Flashlight	15	$30.00 ea	$450
Single Point Rifle Sling	20	$5.00	$100
5.11 Heavy Winter Coat	25	$50.00 ea	$1,250
Go Bag with medical supplies	25	$75.00 ea	$1,875
Chain Handcuff	20	$15.00 ea	$300
High Vis Traffic Vests	20	$10.00 ea	$200
Motorola APX Mobile Radios	8	300	$2,400
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Total			$13,375