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MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council
From: David Barnes, Major
Date: February 22, 2016
Subject: **Proposal to Trade Glock 36 Pistols for Glock 43 Pistols**

ITEM DESCRIPTION

This item is for approval to trade 48 Glock 36 .45 caliber back-up pistols for 48 Glock 43 9mm back-up pistols.

BACKGROUND

During the initial roll out of our department, we purchased a Glock .45 caliber pistol as both our primary and back-up weapon. Our back-up weapon, the Glock 36, is of course smaller than our primary duty weapon.

Over the past two years more and more law enforcement agencies have transitioned back to 9mm weapons. This initially stemmed from a 2014 FBI ballistics study and the agencies adoption of the 9mm for its agents. The new breed of 9mm ammunition can deliver similar performance as a .40 or .45 caliber pistol without the heavier felt recoil and accelerated wear (on both pistol and shooter), and at a more affordable price.

The agencies that have switched back to the 9mm pistol have also taken an honest look at the physical characteristics of their personnel, and have accepted that law enforcement officers no longer come in just one size. There are many officers with smaller hands and shorter fingers who find it difficult to reach the controls on larger caliber pistols with their corresponding larger frames. This is especially true for the smaller back-up pistols like our Glock 36.

Listed below are some additional reasons to replace 48 Glock 36 .45 caliber back-up pistols with 48 Glock 43 9mm pistols:

- The Glock 43 is significantly smaller and lighter.
- 9mm ammunition has been determined by the FBI to be just as effective as .40 or .45 caliber.
- More officers would carry the Glock 43 off-duty as it is much more concealable and comfortable to carry.
- Officers will be more accurate with a 9mm back-up gun than with the .45 caliber.
- Both training and duty ammunition are less expensive than .45 caliber.
- We can transition without cost due to the current value of our Glock 36.

Listed below are the 48 Glock 36 pistols by serial number, which will be traded in and replaced:



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NKX 760	NKX740	NKX744	NKX749	XRX741	XRX740
NKX838	NUD707	NKX748	NKX732	NUD705	NKX837
NKX746	NKX734	NKX739	NKX828	NUD700	NKX836
NUD709	NKX747	NKX822	NKX831	NUD701	NUD702
NKX731	NUD703	XRX743	NKX840	NKX738	NKX733
NKX825	NKX737	NKX741	NKX841	NKX826	NKX736
NUD704	NKX824	NKX745	NKX742	NKX743	NUD706
NKX829	NUD708	NKX751	NKX827	NKX735	NKX823

RECOMMENDED ACTION

At this time, staff recommends the City Council approve the trade of 48 Glock 36 .45 caliber pistols for 48 Glock 43 9mm pistols at an even trade. The only additional cost will be the purchase of the ammunition and new holsters, which can be purchased with funds from our current budget.

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4431 N. Henry Blvd., Stockbridge, GA 30281

SENT VIA Email: william.furman@dunwoodyga.gov

Quote #16-02-A032(r)
Expires: 90 Days

February 11, 2016

Lt. William Furman
Dunwoody Police Dept.
41 Perimeter Center East, Suite 100
Dunwoody, GA 30346
Office: 678.382.6920

Dear Lt. Furman,

Thank you for choosing EPS, and allowing us to provide you with the following quote:

Description	Qty	Unit	Extended
GLOCK 43LE w/ 2mags, and fixed sights	48	\$320.50	\$15,384.00
TRADES: GLOCK 36 w/ 2 mags, fixed sights, and ankle holster	48	-\$320.50	-\$15,384.00
Delivery: Drop Ship from Manufacturer ARO 90 days, No Charge	-	-	-
Total:	-	-	\$0.00

Thank you for the opportunity, and please feel free to contact me with any questions.

V/R,

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