

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: Purchasing and Fleet Services Dept.

SUBMITTAL DATE:
February 23, 2006

SUBJECT: SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT OF TWO (2) Lenco, BEAR CAT, TACTICAL ARMORED VEHICLES

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

Approve without securing competitive bids, in accordance with Ordinance 459.4, the purchase of two (2) each Bear Cat, tactical armored vehicles, in the amount of \$421,582.48 delivered, from Lenco Industries of Pittsfield, MA., pursuant to the Purchasing Agent approving this purchase on behalf of the County.

BACKGROUND: On September 13, 2005, Agenda 3.65, the Board of Supervisors approved and accepted program funds from the U. S. Department of Homeland Security, Grant Program Award BR 06-026, through the Office of Domestic Preparedness in the amount of \$4,514,894 to prevent, deter, respond to, and recover from threats and incidents of terrorism. The Sheriff's Department allocation from this award totals \$876,091. Also, approved was the Schedule "A" listing specialized equipment; of which \$856,471 was allocated towards vehicles.

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ROBERT J. HOWDYSHELL, Director

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| FINANCIAL DATA | Current F.Y. Total Cost: | \$ 421,583 | In Current Year Budget: | Yes |
| | Current F.Y. Net County Cost: | \$ 0 | Budget Adjustment: | No |
| | Annual Net County Cost: | \$ 0 | For Fiscal Year: | 05/06 |

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| SOURCE OF FUNDS: U. S. Department of Homeland Security Grant Program Award BR 06-026 | Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | Requires 4/5 Vote | <input type="checkbox"/> |

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: **APPROVE**

County Executive Office Signature

- Dep't Recomm.: Consent Policy
- Per Exec. Ofc.: Consent Policy

Prev. Agn. Ref.: | **District:** | **Agenda Number:** 3.22

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Just like many local, state, and federal agencies across the nation, the Riverside County Sheriff's Department has been in an ongoing evolutionary period since the tragic events of September 11, 2001. As part of this ongoing evolution, the Riverside County Sheriff's Department's Special Enforcement Bureau was created and given the responsibility for responding to terrorist incidents involving Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD). Also, Riverside County continues to be one of the fastest growing regions in the United States. With this explosive growth comes an increase in both public and government expectations that the Riverside County Sheriff's Department be properly equipped to handle its traditional law enforcement role, as well as the new and ever increasing threat of terrorist based events within our communities.

The armored vehicles sought by the Sheriff's Department Special Enforcement Bureau are built to be highly technical, military specifications. The units themselves will increase the department's ability to protect our personnel from numerous hazards and threats such as chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, and explosive environments.

JUSTIFICATION

These vehicles, and their sophisticated equipment, are absolutely vital to the WMD response mission of the Special Enforcement Bureau and therefore an absolute necessity to the residents of Riverside County should such an event occur. The Sheriff's Department has also been requested to keep the vehicles specifications **Confidential**, as these same vehicles are now being used in the war on terror by several branches of the military. Without these vehicles and their capabilities, the Special Enforcement Bureau will be unable to properly provide the level of tactical intervention and or support during a WMD incident that is necessary to insure success.

PRICE REASONABLENESS

Pricing for this equipment has been deemed to be fair and reasonable based on research by the Purchasing and Fleet Services Department. Lenco Industries has given the County pricing from their GSA Federal Contract No. GS07F0390M and is guaranteed by GSA to be our lowest possible price. The price of these vehicles is well within established government guidelines and similar to that offered to allied agencies having previously purchased units from Lenco (San Bernardino County Sheriff, Palm Springs PD, Orange County Sheriff, and Los Angeles County Sheriff).

All other sources that offer products that fit the categories of SWAT vehicles or armored vehicles were something less than that offered by Lenco Industries, or that was requested by the Sheriff's Special Enforcement Bureau.