

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRESNO, CALIFORNIA, DECLAINING AN URGENT NECESSITY FOR THE PRESERVATION OF LIFE, HEALTH, PROPERTY, AND AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASING MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO PURCHASE PATROL RIFLES FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

WHEREAS, the City of Fresno (City) Police Department has determined that there is an immediate need to purchase 270 Colt manufacturing patrol rifles for uniformed sworn police officers; and

WHEREAS, there has been a significant increase in the number of "active shooter" or mass casualty incidents across the nation within the past two years; and

WHEREAS, nationally there has been a 300% increasing fatal ambush style attacks on law enforcement officers; and

WHEREAS, when police officers respond to an incident involving a heavily armed suspect, a patrol rifle has a significant ballistic and tactical advantage when compared to the department-issued pistol; and

WHEREAS, by assigning a rifle to an individual officer it will reduce liability and increase officer safety as the officer sites the rifle to their specific needs and allows the officer to immediately stop the threat and prevent the suspect from continuing their violent actions; and

WHEREAS, due to the unpredictable nature of these violent attacks, there is an immediate need to outfit every uniformed patrol officer with a rifle; and

WHEREAS, further delays in addressing a violent attack could have a serious impact on the safety of sworn law enforcement officers and members of the community.



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Fresno as follows:

1. The foregoing facts constitute an urgent necessity for the preservation of life, health, or property.

2. The requirement for a formal bid is waived pursuant to Charter Section 1208(a)(5)(v).

3. The Purchasing Manager or designee is authorized to enter into and execute contracts, documents, and instruments for 270 Colt patrol rifles, at a cost not to exceed \$325,000, and subject to prior approval as to form by the City Attorney's Office.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF FRESNO) ss.
CITY OF FRESNO)

I, YVONNE SPENCE, City Clerk of the City of Fresno, certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Fresno, at a regular meeting held on the _____ day of _____, 2016.

AYES :
NOES :
ABSENT :
ABSTAIN :

YVONNE SPENCE, CMC
City Clerk

BY: _____
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

BY: _____
Brandon M. Collet Date
Deputy