

SAFETY MEETING - CITY OF ROELAND PARK
4600 W. 51ST Street, Roeland Park, KS 66205
Monday, June 14, 2010
6:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. OLD BUSINESS
 - a. Bicycle friendly streets
3. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. Bulletproof Vest Partnership
 - b. Release of Police Patrol Bike
4. OTHER BUSINESS
5. ADJOURN

June 8, 2010

TO: Safety Committee
FROM: Chief Taylor
REF: June Safety Meeting

1. Bulletproof Vest Partnership – The US Bureau of Justice has once again opened up the Bulletproof Vest Partnership grant for the purchase of ballistic vests. The program reimburses the city for up to 50% of the purchase price of eligible ballistic vests. Ballistic vests have an expected life of 5 years and the grant program allows departments to submit requests to replace vests that are 5 years old or older. Roeland Park has been registered in this program for over 5 years and four older vests need to be replaced and a new vest needs to be purchased.

A request for bid was sent out to Alamar Uniforms, Express Police Supply and Roper Police Supply for ballistic vests that meet the most recent standards. Bids were received from Alamar and Express and none was submitted by Roper. The department has purchased vests from Alamar in the past and they are the department's current uniform supplier. The bids are listed below.

Alamar	SM01 Second Chance Level II	\$685.00 Ea
Express	SM01 Second Chance Level II	\$732.25 Ea

The request is made to authorize the purchase of five ballistic vests for an amount not to exceed \$3,425.00 and to submit the purchase to the Bulletproof Vest Partnership program for reimbursement.

2. Release of Police Patrol Bike – The police department got involved in a bicycle program a number of years ago and the program was not active when I arrived and has not been active in the last seven years. There are a number of reasons the bike program has not been utilized to include staffing needs and the expense of bike officer training versus the benefit of the program.

The department has three GT Timberline bicycles that are still usable. We have been contacted by Excelsior Springs Police Department and they have an interest in starting a bike program. I recommend that the city find the bicycles are excess property and allow the police department to give the bikes to the Excelsior Springs Police Department.