Donald J. Lee, Jr.

Chief of Police





TO:	Mr. Jim Scholl, City Manager
FROM:	Donald J. Lee, Jr., Chief of Police
DATE:	June 12 th , 2018
RE:	Authorize the purchase of Police Department Ammunition from Florida Bullet in the amount of \$27,667.30

Action Statement:

This resolution authorizes the Key West Police Department to purchase various calibers of department ammunition for duty and range/practice purposes from Florida Bullet, Inc. This purchase is made pursuant to ordinance 2-797-4(b).

Background:

The Key West Police Department uses thousands of rounds of ammunition during the year for both practice and official firearms qualifications for all sworn officers. These qualifications are mandatory to meet both departmental and Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) policies. In addition to the mandatory qualifications, all officers are afforded numerous opportunities during the year to remain proficient in the use of their firearms during practice range days. The departments SRT team must qualify and practice more frequently with both sidearms and rifles to meet the proficiency requirements of a team member.

Departmental policies specify two makes of ammunition to consider meeting its needs for duty and range ammo: Federal and Remington. The Department has preferred and used Federal ammunition whenever available in the quantities it needs for 20+ years. It is accurate, reliable, dependable, and the Florida vendor for Federal, Florida Bullet has a long-standing relationship with our agency from past purchases. They are the sole authorized vendor of Federal Ammunition in the state of Florida. Four quotes for the ammo, two for federal and two for Remington were obtained and are as follows:

Florida Bullet-Federal \$27,667.30 Kiesler's (Illinois)-FederalLou's-RemingtonLa\$36,118.28\$31,799.04\$3

<u>Lawmen's</u> \$30,251.56



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Purpose and Justification:

Ongoing firearms training and proficiency prepares our officers to win a deadly force encounter. Training, readiness, and preparedness are literally the difference between life and death of an officer.

Options:

The Department must have adequate supplies of ammunition to meet the ongoing demands of officer firearms training and proficiency. There is no other option.

Financial Impact:

The departments FY17/18 budget has the funds for this purchase in 101-2102-521-5200.

Recommendation:

The Key West Police Department recommends the purchase of Federal Ammunition from Florida Bullet and believes it is in the best interest of the department and the city to do so.





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