



## Staff Report

**TO:** City Council  
**FROM:** George Walter, Interim Chief of Police  
**DATE:** April 1, 2025  
**SUBJECT:** Beaumont Police Department Specialized Equipment Inventory and Fiscal Impact Report

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**Description** Requirement per Government Code 7072 to submit an annual report to its governing body regarding military equipment (specialized equipment) as dictated by Assembly Bill AB481.

### **Background and Analysis:**

Government Code § 7072 requires a law enforcement agency to submit a military equipment (Specialized Equipment) report to its governing body for each type of specialized equipment approved annually for as long as the military equipment is available for use. The Chief of Police or the authorized designee should also make each annual specialized equipment report publicly available on the department website for as long as the specialized equipment is available for use. The report shall include all information required by Government Code § 7072 for the preceding calendar year for each type of specialized equipment in the department inventory.

The annual specialized equipment report shall, at a minimum, include the following information for the immediately preceding calendar year for each type of specialized equipment:

- (1) A summary of how the specialized equipment was used and the purpose of its use.
- (2) A summary of any complaints or concerns received concerning the specialized equipment.
- (3) The results of any internal audits, any information about violations of the specialized equipment use policy, and any actions taken in response.
- (4) The total annual cost for each type of specialized equipment, including acquisition, personnel, training, transportation, maintenance, storage, upgrade, and other ongoing costs, and from what source funds will be provided for the specialized equipment in the calendar year following submission of the annual specialized equipment report.

- (5) The quantity possessed for each type of specialized equipment.
- (6) If the law enforcement agency intends to acquire additional specialized equipment in the next year, the quantity sought for each type of specialized equipment.

In summary of items 1, 2, and 3; the specialized equipment we have in our inventory has been deployed routinely throughout the past year and it has helped resolve extremely hazardous and dangerous incidents on numerous occasions. The specialized equipment has mitigated the need for use of deadly force and has provided additional layers of protection for citizens, law enforcement personnel and other First Responders. This specialized equipment can and has reduced City liability during various critical incidents. The specialized equipment currently in use is necessary to help contend with the high level of violence seen by law enforcement throughout the country. In addition, the equipment is essential in providing additional support during natural disasters and acts of terrorism.

An internal audit was conducted regarding the use of authorized specialized equipment during the 2024 calendar year. No violations were discovered regarding the equipment.

See attachment A for Items 4 and 5. The police department does not intend to purchase other types of specialized equipment at this time.

The Beaumont Police Department will hold an annual community engagement meeting on April 15, 2025, within 30 days of this report submission to allow the community to have questions addressed about the specialized equipment currently in use.

**Fiscal Impact:**

There is no fiscal impact with this report. All of the specialized equipment maintenance has been budgeted for.

The estimated cost to prepare this report is \$800.

**Recommended Action:**

Receive and file.

**Attachments:**

- A. MILITARY EQUIPMENT (SPECIALIZED EQUIPMENT) INVENTORY