

WASHOE COUNTY

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STAFF REPORT BOARD MEETING DATE: March 22, 2022

DATE: Monday, January 31, 2022

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Captain Phil Jones, Special Operations Division

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THROUGH: Darin Balaam, Sheriff

SUBJECT: Recommendation to accept a donation of two Commander 3400 Mobile

Surveillance Trailers valued at [\$163,238.00] from the Washoe County Honorary Deputies Association through a gracious donation from the E. L. Wiegand Foundation to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office Special

Operations Division. (All Commission Districts)

SUMMARY

It is requested that the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) accept a donation of two Commander 3400 Mobile Surveillance Trailers valued at \$163,238.00 from the Washoe County Honorary Deputies Association through a gracious donation from the E. L. Wiegand Foundation.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Economic Impacts: Meet the needs of our growing community.

BACKGROUND

Washoe County Sheriff's Office has recently implemented a stratified policing model to put deputies in the correct areas to reduce crimes that affect the quality of life for our residents. These crimes include residential burglaries, vehicle burglaries, illegal dumping, and graffiti.

While every effort is made to prevent these crimes from occurring, it is understood that it cannot be fully stopped from occurring. The Sheriff's Office has taken many steps to increase our ability to solve these crimes when they do occur. Deputies are sent to each of these calls as they occur and contact residents in the area in search of video or other evidence and making people aware of what is occurring in their neighborhoods to reduce crime and harden the targets of opportunity.

The Commander 3400 Mobile Surveillance Trailer will enable the Sheriff's Office to put technology and virtual eyes in problem areas that have been identified as being most affected by crime. These units are self-contained mobile surveillance units that utilize

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closed circuit television cameras to monitor problem areas. They provide a highly visible deterrent and record evidence that can later be used to solve crimes.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact to the county for this donation.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Washoe County Board of County Commissioners accept a donation of two Commander 3400 Mobile Surveillance Trailers valued at [\$163,238.00] from the Washoe County Honorary Deputies Association through a gracious donation from the E. L. Wiegand Foundation to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office Special Operations Division.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "Move to accept a donation of two Commander 3400 Mobile Surveillance Trailers valued at [\$163,238.00] from the Washoe County Honorary Deputies Association through a gracious donation from the E. L. Wiegand Foundation to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office Special Operations Division."