

Responses to Council Questions and Comments, Addendum #1 8/7/2023

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Item #13: Receive and Review FY23 Annual Military Equipment Use Report and Renew Ordinance No. 2818 N.C.S., which Approved Petaluma Police Department's Military Equipment Funding, Acquisition, and Use Policy 709, (Use Policy) in Compliance with California Assembly Bill 481 (AB 481) (Continued from July 10, 2023) and Introduction of an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Petaluma to Approve Petaluma Police Department Policy 709 and 613 Pertaining to the Use and the Acquisition of seven (7) Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS), Also Known as Drones, and the Acquisition of an Unmanned Ground Vehicle UGV, Also Known as a Robot

- Question: If the lifespan of category 12 & 14 are 5 years, do these items get used in trainings or are they just disposed of upon expiration? Items were purchased in 2022 and expire in 2027?
 - Response: Expired rounds are used for training only.
- Question: What individual in PPD has been appointed as Program Coordinator?
 - Response: Lt. Nick McGowan is appointed as the AB 481 Compliance Officer
- Question: Has all PPD personnel been trained as of today? Or does the City have more new hires to train? Do PPD personnel need refresher courses or is there a renewable training every few years? Like with CPR? New techniques etc?
 - Response: All new hires receive training before they are deployed in the field. Training on this equipment is considered perishable skills and staff receive annual refresher training to maintain readiness.

Item #16: Introduction (First Reading) of an Ordinance Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into an Amended and Restated Lease Agreement With Sonoma County Library for Use of the Library at 100 Fairgrounds Drive

- Question: should the City give the library another 50 year lease instead of just a 10?
 - Response: The proposed amended and restated lease agreement contains a 40-year original term with an option for an additional 10-year renewal term, for a total of 50 years.