CHARLOTTE

City Council
Follow-Up Report

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January 28, 2013 – City Council Business Meeting

Firearms and Ammunition Purchases
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At the January 28 Council meeting, the Mayor requested a staff report indicating the vendors used to purchase firearms and ammunition. Below is CMPD's response that includes the CMPD gun and ammunition purchases for FY09-FY13. It should be noted that totals to date cover only half of FY13.

GUNS

During the last five years, CMPD has spent $184,000 on approximately 550 guns with Smith and Wesson. CMPD purchases approximately 120 guns per year based on its number of retirements and new hires. CMPD's full inventory of approximately 1800 guns was fully reset in 2008 when CMPD exchanged all of its old weapons for new ones for free.

AMMUNITION

Ammunition is ordered and delivered on an as needed basis and has required 134 separate purchase orders in the last five years. The quantities of ammunition that are ordered vary based on the number of recruit classes in each year, what type of in-service training is conducted, and specialized training for units such as SWAT.

In the past five years, CMPD has used four vendors for ammunition purchases:

Streichers provides 40 and 45 caliber ammunition for pistols (practice and on duty use) and 12 gauge shotgun birdshot, buckshot and slugs for shotgun training. Total spent with Streichers is **$859,569.29.**

Lawman's provides 40 and 45 caliber ammunition for pistol practice, 12 gauge shotgun buckshot for on duty use and 308 rifle ammo for SWAT practice and duty. Total spent with Lawman's is **$97,930.39.**

Parks and Son provides 12 gauge shotgun birdshot for training and clay targets. Total spent with Parks and Son is **$39,579.56**

Black Hills Ammo supplies 223 rifle ammo for SWAT on duty use. Total spent with Black Hills Ammo is **$19,950.50.**