



AMENDED AGENDA

Public Safety Subcommittee

June 4, 2025
5:30 PM

City Hall
First Floor Conference Room, 4B
65 Civic Avenue
Pittsburg, CA 94565

Subcommittee Members

Angelica Lopez, Council Member
Arlene Kobata, Council Member
Dennisha Marsh, Community Advisory Commission
Monique Robinson, Community Advisory Commission

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1. **Public Comment for Non-Agenda Items**
 2. **Military Equipment Use and Annual Report Community Engagement** - State law on law enforcement use of military equipment requires a public agency to hold a community engagement meeting where the general public may discuss and ask questions regarding the annual military equipment report and the law enforcement agency's funding, acquisition, or use of military equipment.
 3. **Community Events** – Staff will provide an overview of community events and the recently completed PHS Community Service Project.
 4. **Chief's Report**
 5. **Adjournment**



Military Equipment Funding, Acquisition, and Use by Law Enforcement Agencies

2024 Annual Report



BACKGROUND

- September 30, 2021 – Gov. Newsom signed Assembly Bill 481
- Increase transparency, accountability, oversight for acquisition and use of “military equipment”
- Provide safeguards to protect the public’s welfare, safety, civil rights and liberties
- Public’s right to know and allows for community engagement



HISTORICAL CONTEXT

In May of 2022 the Pittsburg City Council adopted a resolution in support of the Pittsburg Police Department's authorization and continued use of equipment outlined under the newly passed Assembly Bill 481. This authorization was memorialized in Pittsburg Municipal Code 2.64.

Requirements outlined in AB 481 includes an annual report and audit of equipment utilization adopted and approved by the Pittsburg City Council. (AB 481 Section 7072(a))

This presentation is a summary of the attached AB 481 annual report and audit.



REQUIREMENTS

AB 481 requires an annual report to the City Council; PPD's annual report outlines data collected from January 1st, 2024 through January 1st, 2025 to include:

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



EQUIPMENT CATEGORIES

AB 481 lists (15) defined “ Military Equipment” categories.

The Pittsburg Police Department has equipment in (6) of these categories



PITTSBURG INVENTORY

| Equipment Category | Items(s) | Funding Source |
|--------------------|--|--|
| 1 | UAV's (Drones) | Grant and General Fund |
| 5 | Command Trailers | Grant and General Fund |
| 10 | Tactical Team Firearms- Rifles and ammunition | Grant and General Fund |
| 12 | Diversionsary Devices and Chemical Agents (OC/CN/CS) | General Fund |
| 14 | Kinetic Energy Weapons (40mm) | Grant and General Fund |
| 15 | Ballistically Armored Vehicle-Firearms | Grant, General Fund and Asset Forfeiture |



ANNUAL REPORT

Audit Results

Administrative Staff conducted an AB 481 audit for the calendar year of January 2024 through January 2025.

It was determined that all equipment was utilized in accordance with existing Pittsburg Police Department Policy.

No equipment was purchased outside of commercial avenues or without prior council approval.

Budgets were adjusted for cost increases and maintained at existed capacity.



REPORT SUMMARY

Equipment Utilization Summary and Highlights

UAV (Drones) – 207 Flights on 59 Deployments. Deployments include tactical support operations, search and rescue, traffic congestion monitoring, public education and training.

Command Trailer – 5 Deployments for DUI check-points

Long Rifles and Ammunition – 5,000 rounds of rifle ammunition were utilized for training and qualification purposes only. No in-field deployments

Ballistically Armored Vehicle – 8 Total Deployments. 6 were Pittsburg SRU Operations, 2 were supplemental patrol responses.



REPORT SUMMARY

Equipment Utilization Summary and Highlights

Diversionsary Devices – 8 Training Deployments / 10 Field Deployments on a span of 6 Tactical Operations.

Chemical Agents – 1 in-field utilization on a barricaded hostage situation. All other deployments were training based.

Kinetic Energy Weapons (40mm) – 25 Training Deployments (Less-Lethal Instructor Course and New Hire Orientation).



COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS

PITTSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT

"BEHIND THE BADGE"



BUILDING TRUST AND OPPORTUNITIES WITH OUR YOUTH

SGT. CORY SMITH



Our PAL Partnership Program

This program allows Pittsburg High School seniors to earn community service hours towards their graduation by doing the following:

- Participating in a 2-hour ride along with a Pittsburg Police Officer
- Participating in a hands-on Use of Force Simulator, which allows youth to interact with evolving situations to understand the decision-making process of a police officer.
- Write a reflective essay on their experience in the program

The goal is to create understanding, encourage dialogue, and expose students to real-world community policing tactics.



Building Youth Partnerships

- Humanizes Pittsburg PD officers
- Creates open lines of communications with youth
- Encourages students to share their perspectives
- Builds mutual respect and future community leaders

Together, we invest in the next generation and strengthen our community



"Behind the Badge"

"My officer was calm and well spoke. If I'm being 100% honest, my experience was amazing and if I could do it again, I would. I didn't think it was real. I felt like I was part of a movie. Being able to experience what police officers experience in everyday life was really crazy and changed my whole perspective on them".

"It gave me the realization that an officer's job isn't that easy, but a difficult one, and dangerous job. Sometimes civilians view it as an easy job to just stop and arrest, but it takes way more".

"The officer even taught me that in one shift of 8 hours someone could lose their life, or it could be the worst day of their life. But he also showed me that officers of the law aren't as awful as they seem in the news, he showed me that sometimes officers deal with life threatening situations".

"Police officers get stared at, judged, and have many pros and cons, but this is all due to stereotypes. I was blessed to experience a real-world experience with a police officer and it changed my whole perspective on law enforcement".

"I observed that police officers even through their darkest times, are still humans and have a job that they are committed to and not a lot of people understand that officers make mistakes as well, because nobody in this world is perfect and that's reality".

"I do want to become a Pittsburg Police Officer one day and hope to inspire even more people to become police officers".

"When I was asked how has this experience changed my perception on law enforcement? I replied with, before this experience I used to think that officers in law enforcement only viewed color because of my past experiences on law enforcement. That they used force and asked questions after, but I was wrong. I was taught that it wasn't really like that. Officers risk their lives every day for their community, not to be rewarded in return. It showed me the danger, the confusion, the heart that officers really do have for the community of Pittsburg".



Questions?