

## Police Department

2030 North Arlington Avenue Duluth, Minnesota 55811



## Resolution/Ordinance Cover Memo

Meeting Date: June 9, 2025

Subject/Title: Purchase of handgun and rifle accessories

**Submitted By:** Kerry Cronin-Jones

**Recommendation**: Approve

**Background**: DPD's duty weapons have reached their end of life and are beginning to need repairs that exceed their value. Aware that a full inventory replacement was imminent, in 2022 the DPD Professional Standards Unit (PSU) began researching potential replacements.

After a great deal of research and testing, PSU has determined the solution to best meet DPD's need is a Red Dot Sight system (RDS). The sighting system that RDS provides allows the officer a single focal plane (threat focus) aiming solution vs the three focal planes required on a traditional iron sight (threat, front sight, rear sight). The system works by projecting a red dot off clear lens that is then superimposed over the threat. RDS is proven to reduce "mistake of fact" deadly force engagements, increase officer accuracy across all skill levels, distance, and compromised/low lighting situations, as well as enhancing accuracy while under extreme stress.

Made clear by the images on the following page, the sighting system that RDS offers officers will have a profound impact on safety and accuracy during the most high-stress, rapidly evolving situations our officers encounter.

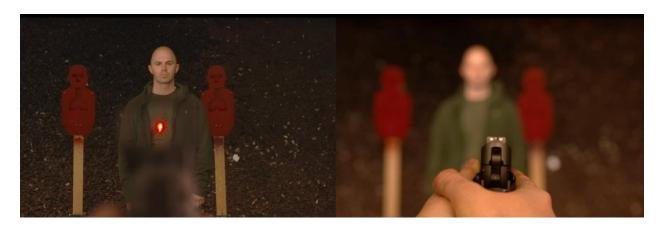
Councilors aren't seeing a request to approve handgun and rifle purchases on the June 9<sup>th</sup> agenda because this purchase falls under the \$150,000 threshold.

**Budget/Fiscal Impact**: This purchase will have no impact on the City's general fund.

**Necessary Action**: Please approve.

Attachments: Streicher's RDS accessories quote





MRDS Sight Picture

Iron Sights Sight Picture

