



## AMHERST TOWN COUNCIL

RFD#

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**TO:** Mayor Kogon and Members of Amherst Town Council

**SUBMITTED BY:** Dwayne Pike – Acting Chief of Police

**DATE:** February 4, 2019

**SUBJECT:** Capital Budget – Body Armour – **Carry Over**

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**ORIGIN:** APD OHS – Personal Equipment Issued.

**LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY:** 37000-01 Procurement Policy and the MGA, Section 65 (z) Power to expend money states: *“The council may expend money required by the municipality for...acquisition of equipment, materials, vehicles, machinery, apparatus, implements and plant for a municipal purpose”*.

Procurement Policy

**RECOMMENDATION:** That \$35,000 that was approved for body armour in the 2018/2019 budget be carried over into the 2019/2010 Capital Budget for the completion of the purchase of multiple units of body armour.

**BACKGROUND:** Body armour is issued to each officer. It must be replaced when the 5-year warranty expires.

**DISCUSSION:** All officers are issued body armour by the department. Body armour must be replaced when the 5-year warranty expires. 17 sets of body armour are due for replacement during the 2018/2019 fiscal year, with another 3 sets due in 2019. The new body armour will have molly on the carrier which allows officers to carry items previously carried on their duty belt on the front of the body armour carrier. Officers are required to carry so much equipment they have run out of room on their duty belt. (i.e. Taser, handcuffs, pepper spray, flashlight, knife (for cutting seat belts), 9mm hand gun, ammo magazine for 9mm, portable radios). With the introduction of the carbine rifles, officers now must now also carry carbine rifle ammo magazines. The carriers for the items being designated for the vest must also be purchased and their cost are over and above the estimated cost for the body armour itself.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:** \$35,000.00 to be carried over into the 2019/2020 Capital Budget.

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:** No community engagement is anticipated at this time.

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:** There are no environmental impacts.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE IMPLICATIONS:** There are no social justice implications.



**ALTERNATIVES:** This equipment is mandatory and must be replaced. As this RFD has already been released, cancelling is not a viable option.

**ATTACHMENTS:** N/A

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