

**CITY OF LA VISTA
MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORT
NOVEMBER 3, 2020 AGENDA**

Subject:	Type:	Submitted By:
PURCHASE – POLICE K-9	◆ RESOLUTION ORDINANCE RECEIVE/FILE	BOB LAUSTEN POLICE CHIEF

SYNOPSIS

A resolution has been prepared authorizing the purchase of a police service dog (K-9) from Canine Tactical, LLC, Chariton, Iowa, in an amount not to exceed \$13,000.

FISCAL IMPACT

The police department has restricted K-9 Donation funds available for the purchase.

RECOMMENDATION

Approval

BACKGROUND

The police department has a need to replace a police K-9. The department purchased “Tar” in February 2011 from Shallow Creek Kennels in Pennsylvania. Tar will be 11 years old next month has now reached the end of effective use. Tar has received routine vaccinations and veterinary care from Dr. Mike Hord at Val Verde Animal Hospital in La Vista. He’s developed arthritis in his back hips. He is on prescribed medication to control issues.

We have selected Canine Tactical, LLC of Chariton, Iowa, as our K-9 vendor. The Omaha Police Department and Nebraska State Patrol purchase their K-9s from Canine Tactical. We are proposing to purchase a “pre-trained” 15-month-old Belgian Malinois in an amount not to exceed \$13,000. The Omaha Police Department is also purchasing a new K-9 at the same time. A training course would commence sometime in November in Omaha with La Vista and Omaha K-9 officers. La Vista Police Officer Mike Loyd will serve as the handler of the newly acquired dog.

The K-9 will be given a health screening from the police department’s certified veterinarian prior to payment.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA VISTA, NEBRASKA APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF A POLICE K-9 FROM CANINE TACTICAL LLC., CHARITON, IOWA, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$13,000.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of La Vista has determined that the purchase of a police K-9 is necessary; and

WHEREAS, the K-9 Donation account has funds available for the purchase of said K-9; and

WHEREAS, The La Vista Police Department did extensive research and recommends that the K-9 be purchased from said vendor; and

WHEREAS, Subsection (c) of Section 31.23 of the La Vista Municipal Code requires the City Administrator secure Council approval prior to authorizing any purchase over \$5,000.00;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Council of La Vista, Nebraska, do hereby authorize the purchase of a police K-9 from Canine Tactical LLC, Chariton, Iowa, in an amount not to exceed \$13,000.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 3RD DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2020.

CITY OF LA VISTA

Douglas Kindig, Mayor

ATTEST:

Pamela A. Buethe, CMC
City Clerk