

# **MUSCATINE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Gregg Mandsager, City Administrator

**FROM:** Brett Talkington, Chief of Police

**SUBJECT:** City Council Agenda Item for July 20, 2012 – Panasonic Toughbook

**DATE:** July 3, 2012

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### **INTRODUCTION:**

The Police Department would like city council permission to purchase two Panasonic Toughbook computers from Vateck LLC of the quad cities.

### **BACKGROUND:**

In 2008 the department instituted mobile data computers in our squads with a grant from the Iowa Department of Transportation. We currently have nine (9) squads outfitted with equipment for this purpose. We asked City Council, during the budget preparation, for funding to purchase two new laptops. Funding (\$9000.00) was granted for the 2012/2013 budget year.

One of the replaced laptop computers will be used in the K-9 squad which currently does not have a computer. The other computer will be kept and used by investigations and also when other laptops are not working.

### **RECOMMENDATION/RATIONALE:**

Vateck LLC had the lowest bid for the purchase of two Panasonic Toughbook CF-31 computers with a cost of \$7,048.00 plus shipping.

Some of the remaining funding will be used for the labor for installing the equipment in the new K-9 squad and purchasing of a Net Motion license.

### **BACKUP INFORMATION:**