

MUSCATINE POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Gregg Mandsager, City Administrator

FROM: Brett Talkington, Chief of Police

SUBJECT: City Council Agenda Item for building a new range on the existing range site

DATE: 09-13-2011

INTRODUCTION:

The current range has not been readily available for the Police Department for most of the last three years due to flooding of the range. The Police Department is asking that we utilize funds to get another range up built on higher ground next to the existing range.

BACKGROUND:

The current firing range has been under water most of the last three years. This has been a continual problem for the Police Department to maintain its current weapons recertification. We have had to utilize a range that is privately owned to keep current on our certifications. This current situation has left us looking for a new solution to meet our current needs when the time comes for recertifications.

RECOMMENDATION/RATIONALE:

I request that the city council approve the Police Department to utilize the insurance monies that we obtained from the last flooding that occurred. The cost of building a new range for the first year would be approx. \$36,600. We currently have \$15,600 in insurance from the last flood as well as \$3000 in the current Police Department budget. We are asking that the City Council approve the city to utilize \$23,000 from the city's insurance trust to supplement the remaining amount to build a new range on higher ground.