



## **BOARD SUMMARY REPORT**

**Date:** October 8, 2019  
**To:** Board of County Commissioners  
**Through:** Tyler Brown, Sheriff  
**From:** Kevin Heaton, Lieutenant  
**Subject:** Purchase / Installation of Clear Armor Ballistic Film

### **Information**

The purpose of this Board Summary Report is to provide information, request a Fixed Asset number, and to request the Chair of the Board to sign the Select Source Waiver.

### **Request and Recommendation**

The Sheriff's Office Headquarters and Precinct 5 Sub-Station conducted security risk assessments identifying the need to protect employees from external threats potentially shooting from outside into the buildings. Clear Armor LLC was identified as the sole manufacturer of ballistic resistant material that would reduce the threat from outside, while allowing officers to address the threat by firing from inside out. Threats to law enforcement across the country are on the rise and the need to better protect our employees from external threats is a daily concern. Obtaining Clear Armor is therefore recommended to complete security projects at both the Sheriff's Office Headquarters and the Precinct 5 Sub-Station.

### **Background**

The Sheriff's Office has been working on security enhancements for the past few years as budgets permitted. The final steps of the lobby security project, which is funded through CIP funds, includes applying impact resistant film to exterior doors and receptionist areas.

In 2018, Arapahoe County purchased a building in the Four Square Mile area along South Parker Road to be used as a Sheriff's Office sub-station. In 2019, the facility was opened after extensive remodeling. The final step to the security enhancements is to apply impact resistant film to the front entry and windows.

### **Links to Align Arapahoe**

The purchase and installation of this product directly affects Quality of Life for employees and community members who may be present during a potential attack on law enforcement.

**Discussion**

Safety and Security is the paramount concern for Sheriff's Office employees and community members within our facilities. Attacks on law enforcement have increased over the past several years and the need to protect ourselves from external threats has never been greater. Clear Armor LLC manufactures a product that prevents ballistic rounds from being fired into a building, while allowing law enforcement to address the threat from inside out. There is no other product that provides increased safety like Clear Armor. This product was demonstrated in person to Sheriff Tyler Brown and Lieutenant Kevin Heaton who support its purchase.

**Alternatives**

There are no other known alternatives that provide the same level of protection, while allowing law enforcement to address the threat from inside out.

**Fiscal Impact**

The fiscal impact is limited to the cost of purchase and installation of Clear Armor at both locations, which is approximately \$225,000.

**Concurrence**

The Support Services Bureau and Sheriff's Administration Office concur.

**Reviewed By**

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