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REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: John G Thomas – Deputy Chief of Police

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SUBJECT: Forensic (FARO) Laser Scanner

Recommendation

Set the report and budget resolution for a public hearing at the July City Council meeting.

Background

The Concord Police Department is responsible for processing major crime scenes to include homicides and motor vehicle fatalities. This scanner will increase the efficiency and accuracy of crime scene processing operations. This type of technology has become the standard for accident reconstruction and 3D crime scene mapping.

The New Hampshire Department of Safety has grant funds available to purchase equipment. The Department of Safety has indicated that the FARO Laser Scanner would be eligible for funding from this grant. The Police Department has completed CIP #484 and funds remain from this project that can be repurposed for the purchase of the FARO Laser Scanner. Lastly, at the June 9th City Council meeting the Council expressed a desire to move this project up to fiscal year 2023.

Discussion

This grant will allow the Concord Police Department to purchase the necessary equipment to help process major crime scenes and fatal traffic accidents. This technology will improve accuracy, imaging, and measurements in a 3D format. It is anticipated that the FARO Laser Scanner will provide a much-needed benefit to the Department and the community.