



CITY OF BANNING STAFF REPORT

TO: CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Arturo Vela, Acting City Manager

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MEETING DATE: August 26, 2025

SUBJECT: Annual Report on the Banning Police Department Military Equipment Pursuant to California Assembly Bill 481

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and file.

BACKGROUND:

On May 10, 2022, the Banning City Council approved and adopted Ordinance 1582, authorizing the Banning Police Department to acquire and use military equipment pursuant to Assembly Bill 481 and Government Code § 7070, et seq. To comply with Assembly Bill 481 the Banning Police Department maintains a department policy related to military equipment (Banning Police Policy § 708 - Military Equipment) and produces an annual report for current military equipment in inventory. Once acknowledged by City Council, the report is then made publicly available, to include a future public meeting to be held at the Banning Police Department for members of the public to ask questions about the program/equipment and published on the City of Banning website under the Banning Police Department.

JUSTIFICATION:

The acknowledgement of the annual military equipment inventory keeps the Banning Police Department and City of Banning in compliance with the provisions of Assembly Bill 481 and Government Code § 7070, et seq.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

ALTERNATIVES:

The City Council may choose to reject staff's recommendation and provide alternative direction.

BUDGETED?:

No

CONTRACT/AGREEMENT:

No

ATTACHMENTS:

1. [AB 481 Equipment 2025.pdf](#)

2. [Banning Police Policy 708 - Military_Equipment.pdf](#)