

Board of Public Safety

Resolution 18-02

*A Resolution supporting the implementation of an updated Critical Incident Response Team
General Order and a new Armored Rescue Vehicle General Order*

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2018, Mayor John Hamilton reported his decision to move forward with the procurement of a new Critical Incident Response Team (“CIRT”) vehicle (“Armored Rescue Vehicle”); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Public Safety (“Board”) is a five-member civilian board that oversees the Police and Fire Departments and represents the interests of the Bloomington community; and

WHEREAS, in his written decision, the Mayor directed the Police Chief, with the consultation of the Board of Public Safety, to develop deployment protocols for the CIRT team and Armored Rescue Vehicle; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor further directed the Police Chief, with the consultation of the Board, to update the risk assessment matrix that guides when CIRT deployments are appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor also asked the Board to conduct regular public reviews of the use of the Armored Rescue Vehicle and the deployment of the CIRT team; and

WHEREAS, the Police Chief, in consultation with the Board, has updated the CIRT General Order in light of these directives; and

WHEREAS, the Police Chief, in consultation with the Board, has prepared a new General Order regulating the use of the Armored Rescue Vehicle; and

WHEREAS, the Police Chief, in consultation with the Board, has updated the risk assessment matrix that governs when CIRT deployments are appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the two General Orders and risk assessment matrix have been provided to the Board for review, revision, and comment; and

WHEREAS, among other items, the updated CIRT General Order discussed by the Board and governing the deployment of the CIRT team contains the following requirements:

- (1) All deployments of the CIRT team shall be approved through the chain of command;
- (2) Pre-planned deployments may involve fewer than all members of the team when the nature of the operation dictates such;

- (3) The use of noise flash diversion devices, chemical munitions, controlled explosives designed to breach a location, the Armored Rescue Vehicle's ram attachment, or counter-snipers require following a detailed permissions protocol;
- (4) Within 72 hours of the conclusion of each CIRT activation, the CIRT commander, or his/her designee, shall prepare and submit documentation of the event through the chain of command;
- (5) After receiving the post-incident report, command staff shall prepare a written administrative review of the overall event as a companion document;
- (6) The documentation of the event and companion document will form the basis for a statistical report on CIRT activity that will be provided to the Board at intervals and in a format that the Board determines is appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the new General Order governing the use of the Police Department's Armored Rescue Vehicle contains the following requirements:

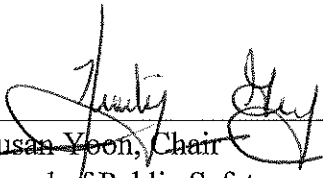
- (1) Use of the Armored Rescue Vehicle is limited so that it may only be used to transport members of the CIRT team to and from high-risk incidents, for tactical use by the CIRT team in resolving high-risk incidents, for rescue operations related to high-risk incidents or disasters, for training, and for public education;
- (2) Use of the Armored Rescue Vehicle is explicitly prohibited for general crowd control or during public demonstrations;
- (3) The Armored Rescue Vehicle shall not have affixed water cannons, affixed firearms, or any other affixed device capable of launching a projectile;
- (4) The ram associated with the Armored Rescue Vehicle shall not be affixed to the Vehicle but shall instead be carried in a support vehicle and may only be utilized with specific authorization from the Police Chief or his/her designee;
- (5) Documentation of the deployment of the Armored Rescue Vehicle will be provided the Board as part of the Board's regular and public statistical CIRT team report in a format that the Board determines is appropriate; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City of Bloomington Board of Public Safety that:

1. The Board of Public Safety has reviewed, discussed, and offered input into the Police Department's updated CIRT General Order (attached hereto as Exhibit A), the Police Department's new Armored Rescue Vehicle General Order (attached hereto as Exhibit B), and the Police Department's new risk assessment matrix (attached hereto as Exhibit C).
2. The Board of Public Safety supports the Police Chief's adoption and implementation of the updated CIRT General Order, Armored Rescue Vehicle General Order, and risk assessment matrix.
3. The Board of Public Safety welcomes future discussion related to the CIRT team and the Armored Rescue Vehicle and looks forward to receiving regular, public reports

from the Police Department regarding the deployment of the CIRT team and the Armored Rescue Vehicle.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City of Bloomington Board of Public Safety upon this 19th day of June, 2018.



~~Susan Yoon, Chair~~
Board of Public Safety
Kimberly Gray, Vice Chair