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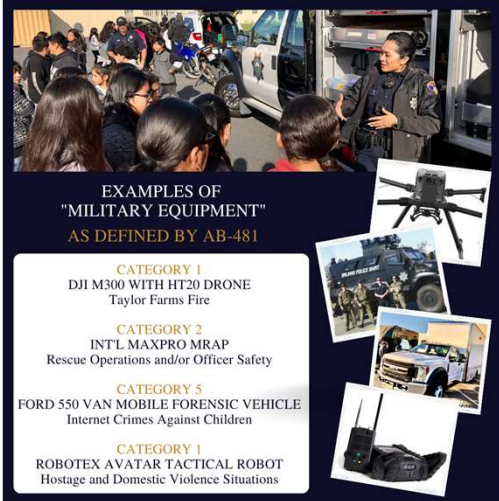
GENERAL OVERVIEW

- ▶ Initial Presentation of Ordinance to City Council on April 26, 2022
- ▶ California’s Assembly Bill 481 (AB-481)
 - Defines “Military Equipment”
- ▶ SPD Policy 709, including Equipment List
 - 15 Categories – SPD’s Inventory (9 out of 15 categories)
- ▶ Provides Transparency to Public
 - Encourages Public Input and Protects the Public’s Welfare, Safety, Civil Rights, and Liberties

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**EXAMPLES OF
"MILITARY EQUIPMENT"
AS DEFINED BY AB-481**

CATEGORY 1 DJI M300 WITH HT20 DRONE Taylor Farms Fire
CATEGORY 2 INT'L MAXPRO MRAP Rescue Operations and/or Officer Safety
CATEGORY 5 FORD 550 VAN MOBILE FORENSIC VEHICLE Internet Crimes Against Children
CATEGORY 1 ROBOTEX AVATAR TACTICAL ROBOT Hostage and Domestic Violence Situations

KEY POINTS

- ▶ **Primary Purpose**
 - De-escalation, stand-off distance, safety of citizens and officers, preserving human life
- ▶ **Necessity**
 - Equipment obtained determined to be necessary based on real incidents encountered by SPD
- ▶ **Usage**
 - Majority of equipment is utilized exclusively by specialty units; highly trained personnel

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COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC INPUT

- ▶ **Published on Website – English and Spanish**
 - Feedback encouraged
- ▶ **Outreach and Education**
 - June 4th – SPD 150th Anniversary Event
 - July 27th – Public Meeting
 - August 11th – SVCC-SUBA Mixer
- ▶ **Questions**
 - Use and Training Costs
 - Policy Safeguards

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Assembly Bill 481 – Military Equipment Funding, Acquisition and Use Policy

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On September 30, 2021, Governor Newsom signed one of many pieces of police reform legislation. AB 481 was prepared by Assembly member David Chiu (D-San Francisco) to address the funding, acquisition and use of military equipment.

AB 481 Definition of Military Equipment

The Assembly Bill has designated the following categories of items as military equipment. The Salinas Police Department has equipment that meets the criteria for 6 of the 15 categories (categories 1, 2, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 14):

- Unmanned, remotely piloted, powered aerial or ground vehicles (Equipment Category 1)
- Mine-resistant ambush-protected (MRAP) vehicles or armored personnel carriers (Equipment Category 2)
- High mobility multipurpose wheeled vehicles (HMMWV), two-and-one-half-ton trucks, five-ton trucks, or wheeled vehicles that have a breaching or entry apparatus attached (Equipment Category 3)
- Tracked armored vehicles that provide ballistic protection to their occupants (Equipment Category 4)
- Command and control vehicles that are either built or modified to facilitate the operational control and direction of public safety units (Equipment Category 5)
- Weaponized aircraft, vessels, or vehicles of any kind (Equipment Category 6)
- Battering rams, slugs, and breaching apparatuses that are explosive in nature (Equipment Category 7)
- Firearms of .50 caliber or greater, excluding standard-issue shotguns (Equipment Category 8)
- Ammunition of .50 caliber or greater, excluding standard-issue shotgun ammunition (Equipment Category 9)
- Specialized firearms and ammunition of less than .50 caliber, including firearms and accessories identified as assault weapons in Penal Code § 30510

Requirements of AB 481

AB 481 requires each law enforcement agency's governing body to initiate the adoption of a written military use policy by ordinance in a public forum by May 1, 2022, in order to continue the use of this previously acquired equipment. To help guide this process, Salinas PD has taken several steps towards establishing a transparent process to achieve this. Documents required by the legislation are available here:

- Salinas PD's draft Policy 709 Military Equipment is available to view [here](#). The AB 481 defined list of military equipment currently in SPD's possession can be found [here](#), as well as each item's purpose, authorized use, expected lifespan, and fiscal impact
- A Question, Comment, Concern process. Please complete the webform [here](#) and we will post applicable submitted content with an answer or response [here](#). Duplicate questions will only be answered once so information is easier to find. Submitted content may be edited for clarity.
- To file a complaint, please click [here](#) to be redirected.
- Prepare an Annual Report to include the use of military equipment, any complaints received, any internal audits or other information about violations of SPD Policy 709, the cost of such use and other similar information. This webpage will be utilized for distribution of any updates to the above materials as well as for the Annual Report. The first Annual Report will be distributed approximately one year after the adoption of the Military Equipment Use ordinance.

Public Input Regarding AB 481

Once adopted, publicized annual public meeting will be held to present following information:

- SPD's military equipment inventory
- SPD's proposed equipment funding and acquisition
- A Military Equipment use annual report
- Community engagement and public access to materials

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RECOMMENDATION

- ▶ Adopt an Ordinance adding sections to Chapter 27 of the Salinas Municipal Code pertaining to Military Equipment Funding, Acquisition, and Use, as required by Assembly Bill 481

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QUESTIONS & COMMENTS



- ▶ Comments may continue to be made through our website
 - <https://salinaspd.org/assembly-bill-481/>
- ▶ Thank you for participating and for your support