



**CITY of NOVI CITY COUNCIL**

**Agenda Item B  
May 18, 2009**

**SUBJECT: Approval for disposal of one surplus hand held radar unit with the intention of providing it for use by the Traffic Improvement Association (TIA) in their research efforts.**

**SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT:** Police *DEM*

**CITY MANAGER APPROVAL:** *[Signature]*

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The Traffic Improvement Association (TIA) is a non-profit traffic safety agency that currently serves approximately (70) seventy communities in Oakland, Macomb, Wayne, and Livingston Counties. TIA was organized in 1967 by community leaders to address adverse traffic safety issues in Oakland County. From its beginning, TIA has developed a comprehensive traffic safety management system that focuses on the 3 E's of safety: Engineering, Education, and Enforcement. Today, Oakland County has one of the lowest traffic crash fatality rates in the nation. The mission of the Traffic Improvement Association is to facilitate engineering, education, and enforcement programs that reduce human and economic losses caused by traffic crashes, and improve mobility in Michigan.

The Novi Police Department and the Traffic Improvement Association have enjoyed many years of joint cooperation in an effort to address the traffic safety concerns within the City of Novi. TIA takes an active roll in the department's Quarterly Traffic Safety Meetings. Our common mission is traffic safety in all of its forms. Some examples of our shared effort with TIA are the Mature Driver Program, Traffic Safety Grants, and Information Technology programs which have assisted the Novi Police Department exam traffic patterns and crashes. TIA also provides traffic crash reports and engineering examinations for our department whenever requested or needed.

In this spirit of cooperation, the Novi Police Department would like to provide a surplus, older hand held radar unit to assist TIA with their research. This older unit is not used by uniform patrol officers, due in large part to the technological advances in speed enforcement by way of the new Laser units which are more accurate, easier to use and are now deployed by uniform patrol officers. The unit is no longer manufactured. The value of this unit is estimated to be worth \$300.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approval for disposal of one surplus hand held radar unit with the intention of providing it for use by the Traffic Improvement Association (TIA) in their research efforts.**

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Mayor Landry				
Mayor Pro Tem Gatt				
Council Member Burke				
Council Member Crawford				

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Council Member Margolis				
Council Member Mutch				
Council Member Staudt				