
WAUKESHA POLICE MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 1, 2016
TO: Russell Jack, Chief of Police
Chris Pofahl, Director of IT
FROM: Captain Dan Baumann
SUBJECT: CID WDA Tablets (Wireless Digital Assistant)

I am submitting this memo to request twenty four tablets to be used by detectives/specialists to connect with dispatch much like officers are connected through their WDA's on their squad laptops. In 2016, 5 tablets were purchased and deployed throughout the Criminal Investigations Division. This will be the second evolution in deployment of the Surface Pro's. The Surface Pro's will replace the PC's at the detectives work station, which will be redeployed. We are not adding devices to IT's inventory.

For the past six years, it has been a long term goal for the Criminal Investigation Division to increase safety and efficiency with this technology. In addition, this idea was also suggested in the 2015 Department Survey and approved by Command Staff as a short term goal.

I have included bullet points that we have discussed at our Command Staff meetings.

- Efficiency – Unlike patrol officers, personnel in the Criminal Investigation Division do not have access to a squad computer to make him/her more effective in performing his/her duties. Officers use the squad computers to look up information online such as driver's license status, wanted status, whether a bail restriction exists, whether there is a 'no contact' order, etc. Detectives and Specialists currently don't have this capability.
- Safety – Patrol officers are often sent updates to a call he/she is responding to by way of his/her WDA on the squad laptop. A picture of a dangerous suspect, or an overhead map of an apartment complex can be sent to an officer, for example. Detectives/Specialists currently don't have this capability.
- Communication – For major crime scenes, strike team leaders responsible for performing a specific task could be issued a tablet to be used in coordinating with incident command without having to tie up valuable air time on police radio channels.

Initial Cost - Hardware/Software	Expenditures
Surface Pro 4	\$40,600.00
ProPhoenix WDA License	\$57,275.00
Total	\$97,875.00

Annual Cost - Hardware/Software	Expenditures
ProPhoenix WDA License	\$8,700.00
Total	\$8,700.00

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Baumann
CAPTAIN OF POLICE