

## CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

**FROM:** The Office of the City Manager    **DATE:** May 17, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Authorize an amendment to the agreement with Axon Enterprise, Inc., for body-worn and fleet-mounted camera systems and related services for a term of five years using BuyBoard Cooperative Contract No. 648-21, in the collective amount not to exceed \$2,164,810.

**PRESENTER:** Jimmy Perdue, Director of Public Safety

**SUMMARY:**

This item is for the authorization to amend the City's current agreement with Axon Enterprise, Inc., to provide a five-year term, updated body-worn and vehicle-mounted cameras, related software/hardware maintenance, licensing, and data storage as well as additional interrelated services packaged under the Officer Safety 10 plan.

**GENERAL DESCRIPTION:**

The Police Department and Marshal's Office currently utilize vehicle-mounted cameras and body-worn camera systems to record police activity and interactions with the community. These systems are necessary to support compliance with state laws as well as to enhance public trust, transparency, accountability, training, and criminal investigations and prosecution.

The City has contracted with Axon Enterprise, Inc., for these services since January 2018. In February 2023, in preparation for the expiration of our original service agreement, the City entered into a new 12-month contract with Axon. This ensured the Police Department would maintain access to these services while staff conducted a comprehensive study of available camera solutions to identify the most appropriate vendor for a multi-year contract for services. This process identified that Axon continues to be the most appropriate and cost-effective vendor for these services.

Authorizing the amendment to our current service agreement will extend the term of services for a period of 5 five years, to commence on October 1, 2023. The amended service agreement will also expound upon the services provided to include an expanded fleet of products interconnected with these camera systems, including automated incident reporting software, GPS camera location services, automated license plate recognition capabilities, upgraded conductive energy devices, and virtual reality de-escalation training.



Authorization of this amendment is necessary prior to June 30, 2023 to secure pricing based on the cooperative agreement. However, the agreement will contain language that ties final authorization to the start of Fiscal Year 2024.

The City participates in numerous purchasing cooperatives. Use of a cooperative agreement satisfies any state law requirement for competitive bidding. As long as funds are appropriated annually, and as long as the terms and conditions of the contract do not change, City Council authorization will not be required for the subsequent years of the agreement.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

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