

Legislation Text

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PRESENTER:

Keith Lane, Chief of Police

SUBJECT:

Approval of a purchase of tasers from Axon Enterprise, Inc. for the Police Department and to declare the existing equipment as surplus for trade in.

DEPARTMENT: Police Department

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide -Strategic Priority: Continue to ensure the protection of citizen's lives and property.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Police Department has identified the necessity to update their taser program. The Police Department standardized equipment to the TASER brand in 2008 with the purchase of 80 tasers. This purchase request will replace the existing, old and outdated tasers with new equipment. The new program will include 150 tasers, licensing, and ancillary equipment, supplies and 5-year extended warranty. The new equipment purchase will also include program training for Police staff instructors. The cost for the new taser program is \$612,633. Staff is also requesting that the existing equipment be declared surplus and included as trade in on the new contract.

Axon Enterprise is the sole manufacture and distributor for the TASER brand products. The City will be purchasing the TASER equipment through a BuyBoard cooperative contract which provides the City with the best value pricing.

ISSUE:

The current taser fleet for the Police Department is a generation old creating a necessity to purchase new equipment.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The funding for this program is incorporated into the FY 2022 Police Department budget, therefor sufficient funds are available for this purchase.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of a purchase of tasers from Axon Enterprise, Inc. for the Police Department and to declare the existing equipment as surplus for trade in.