



TOWN COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

DATE December 19, 2023

FROM: Wendell Mitchell, Interim Chief of Police

AGENDA ITEM: Discuss and consider a Master Services and Purchasing Agreement with Axon Enterprise, Inc. for the purchase of tasers and associated equipment in an amount not to exceed \$17,526.00; and authorize the Town Administrator to execute same on behalf of the Town.

SUMMARY:

Professional law enforcement agencies utilize various technologies in their service to the community. One of these technologies is electronic control devices (ECD or Tasers). Using ECDs, specifically the Axon Enterprise, Inc. Taser, is a law enforcement best practice that assists officers safely de-escalating and detaining subjects displaying active aggression. The Bartonville Police Department has effectively incorporated Tasers to safely de-escalate encounters with actively aggressive subjects over the last ten years. Often, active-aggressive individuals will voluntarily comply following a warning of impending Taser deployment. Our current Tasers, X26P, are one of the earlier Axon models and are out of warranty.

FISCAL INFORMATION:

\$17,526.00 over a five-year term.

RECOMMENDED MOTION OR ACTION:

The recommendation is to enter into a purchasing agreement to acquire six (6) Axon Taser 7. The Taser 7 is more technologically advanced than the X26P, providing officers with two deployment options and rechargeable batteries.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Axon Enterprise Taser Quote
- Axon Master Services Purchasing Agreement