

City Council Regular Meeting

DEPARTMENT: Police

FROM: Randy Crum, Technical Services Captain

MEETING: May 19, 2025

SUBJECT:

Receive a report, hold a discussion, and provide staff direction regarding the structure of a contract with Axon Enterprise, Inc., for body-worn cameras, drones, software, artificial intelligence assistance, and evidence storage. (Staff Contact: Captain Randy Crum, Police Department)

SUMMARY:

The Burleson Police Department requests the Council's support on a Cooperative Purchase Agreement with Axon Enterprise, Inc. through Buyboard Contract No. 743-24 for: modification of Contracts #10240100, #10240254, #1025129, and #1025004 with new 10-year agreement relating to Body Worn Cameras (BWCs) and additional hardware and service enhancements. New agreement combines Axon BWC devices from PD, FD, and ACO into a single service contract that also provides additional package bundles once a total of 100 Body Worn Cameras are purchased by the city.

PD currently has 90 BWCs, FD has 2 BWCs, and ACO has 3 BWCs for current total of 95 BWCs for the city. With the purchase of 5 additional BWCs by the city Axon will provide the following hardware and software at no cost: 3 Skydio X10 Drones, 3 Skydio Docks for X10, Drone Hardware Refresh, 1 Dedrone Rapid Response Trailer with RF Sensor, 1 Dedrone Rapid Response Trailer with Short-Range Radar, 1 Dedrone Fixed Site Sensors, Axon Records, My90, Unlimited 3rd Party Storage, Virtual Reality Platform, and Fusus Pro+ package.

PD requests to add the purchase of Axon Al Area Leaders software to the new agreement. Axon Al Area Leaders purchase provides several significant capabilities to the existing service to include real time language translation for all BWC users and automated report writing assistance from BWC videos.

As the majority of police overtime is caused by report writing, the PD expects the Axon AI will allow us to off-set the overtime by approximately 20% by significantly reducing the time needed to complete reports. The city is currently in year 2 of a 5-year agreement with Axon Enterprise, Inc. for BWCs and evidence.com licenses. If we maintain the current contract and do nothing with our service or hardware, the renewal costs to just maintain the existing service and equipment we have in 3 years is expected to increase to a level close to the new 10-year agreement in years 4-6 of this proposal. Moving to this 10-year agreement allows the city to

secure current market pricing and price stability in the long term along with additional hardware, regularly scheduled hardware refreshes, along with software and updates over the life of the agreement.

RECOMMENDATION:

Give direction to the City Manager to sign 10-year quote.

PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

City Council Input: July 6, 2023, July 24, 2023, August 15, 2023. City Council Regular Meeting August 21, 2023, September 9, 2024, and October 21, 2024.

City of Burleson is in the second year of a five-year service agreement for the PD with Axon Enterprises, Inc.

REFERENCE:

CSO#5190-08-2023

FISCAL IMPACT:

Proposed Expenditure/Revenue: Expenditure \$5,593,685.83 over 10 years Account Number(s): 6108001-63506; 1012001-50101; 1012201-61516; 1014004-61510 Fund:

Account Description: Software M&R; Overtime; Minor Computer Software; Minor Apparatus

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