

Sole Source Purchasing Documentation

AXON Body Worn Camera Capable of Automatic Activation (recording) When TASER is Deployed

Definition

A sole source purchase means that only one supplier (source), to the best of the requester's knowledge and belief, based upon thorough research, (i.e. conducting a market survey), is capable of providing the required product or service. Similar types of goods and services may exist, but only one supplier, for reasons of expertise, and/or standardization, quality, compatibility with existing equipment, specifications, or availability, is the only source that is acceptable to meet a specific need.

Camas Police Department is entering into a contract with AXON Enterprise, Inc. to purchase body worn cameras for use by police officers. New state laws that take effect in 2022 will require Camas Police Officers to have a recording device for field operations. The body worn camera has been identified as the necessary device for our needs. In addition, our County Prosecutor has indicated his desire that each law enforcement officer in Clark County have a body worn camera to document officer's interactions with the public.

It is desirable to have a body worn camera system that has automatic recording activation whenever the TASER is deployed. This automatic activation feature ensures that any event where a TASER is discharged (Use of Force) is recorded and available for later review.

Although there are other manufacturers of body worn camera devices, to the best of my knowledge, no other recording systems on the market are capable of working with the TASER weapon to automatically activate and record the event when a TASER is deployed.