

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	TASERS AND ACCESSORIES FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the purchase of Tasers and accessories from Axon Enterprise, Inc., (Scottsdale, AZ) in the amount of \$30,300.00.

The Police Department is requesting to purchase twenty (20) new Tasers, with accompanying accessories, which will replace out of service Tasers. Tasers provide a “smart” weapons option that could prevent the necessity for “deadly force,” thereby possibly preventing serious injury to an officer, or a citizen taken into custody. The Taser has unique monitoring technology, which includes micro-identification tags that disperse on the scene where the Taser is discharged and on-board computer systems that store the date and time of every discharge, allowing for excellent oversight of usage.

Axon Enterprise, Inc., is the manufacturer of the Tasers and accessories. Therefore, this purchase is considered an only know source procurement, per the Procurement Ordinance, Section 3-114.

Funds are budgeted in the FY20 Budget: General Fund – Police – Support Services – Capital Expenditures/Under \$5,000 \$5,000; 0101 – 400 – 2200 – STAF – 7763.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TASERS AND ACCESSORIES FROM AXON ENTERPRISE, INC., (SCOTTSDALE, AZ) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$30,300.00.

WHEREAS, the Police Department is requesting to purchase twenty (20) new Tasers, with accompanying accessories, which will replace out of service Tasers. Tasers provide a “smart” weapons option that could prevent the necessity for “deadly force,” thereby possibly preventing serious injury to an officer, or a citizen taken into custody. The Taser has unique monitoring technology, which includes micro-identification tags that disperse on the scene where the Taser is discharged and on-board computer systems that store the date and time of every discharge, allowing for excellent oversight of usage; and,

WHEREAS, Axon Enterprise, Inc., is the manufacturer of the Tasers and accessories. Therefore, this purchase is considered an only know source procurement, per the Procurement Ordinance, Section 3-114.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

That the City Manager is hereby authorized to purchase of Tasers and accessories from Axon Enterprise, Inc., (Scottsdale, AZ) in the amount of \$30,300.00. Funds are budgeted in the FY20 Budget: General Fund – Police – Support Services – Capital Expenditures/Under \$5,000 \$5,000; 0101 – 400 – 2200 – STAF – 7763.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the _____ day of _____, 2020 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

- Councilor Allen voting _____.
- Councilor Barnes voting _____.
- Councilor Crabb voting _____.
- Councilor Davis voting _____.
- Councilor Garrett voting _____.
- Councilor House voting _____.
- Councilor Huff voting _____.
- Councilor Thomas voting _____.
- Councilor Thompson voting _____.
- Councilor Woodson voting _____.

Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

B.H. “Skip” Henderson III, Mayor