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October 9th, 2024 Ref: Axon Interview Room Contract

President Decker and Commissioners,

Attached you will find a 5-year Axon contract related to the PSC interview room audio/video hardware and software upgrade project. The Dickinson Police Department currently has three interview rooms at the PSC used for interviews and interrogations. The current system was installed in 2015 and has become obsolete and extremely problematic as the vendor no longer supports the system.

The Dickinson Police Department is in the process of transitioning all audio/video-related technology to Axon-based systems. This includes body-worn cameras, in-car video systems, and Tasers. The interview room system is the final piece of the technology upgrade however, due to the significant costs associated with the upgrades we have tried to spread the expense over a 5-year period.

The first year of the 5-year contract has additional costs associated with hardware, installation, and training. The subsequent years are more budget-friendly. The first year's billing of \$40k will be paid through a grant recently awarded to DPD by Marathon Petroleum. The subsequent years will be a budgeted line item established through the normal budget process. Although this initial contract is a stand-alone contract exclusively for the interview room project, we intend to bundle everything (body cameras, in-car video, interview room, and Taser) into one more affordable long-term contract. The revision and bundle of Axon contracts should occur within the first few years of the contract which is before you now.

This contract has been reviewed by the city attorney and city staff recommends approval.

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Thank You!

Chief Joe Cianni