



# STAFF REPORT

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## **SUBJECT**

### **BODY WORN CAMERAS AND CONDUCTED ENERGY WEAPONS PURCHASE**

## **DEPARTMENT**

POLICE DEPARTMENT

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Request the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2022-95 authorizing the Mayor to sign a five-year agreement to purchase Body Worn Cameras and Conducted Energy Weapons through a Sole Source purchase with Axon Enterprises, Inc. to provide the hardware, software, licenses, training and service.

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Police Department: David Cramer, Interim Chief)

Presenter: David Cramer, Interim Chief

## **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

The hardware, software, licenses, training, and service contract will total \$1,532,138.73 for the five-year period. The first year's costs have been allocated in the approved FY 2022-23 City of Escondido Operating Budget.

## **PREVIOUS ACTION**

City Council adopted and approved Resolution No. 2019-84 on June 5, 2019 authorizing the purchase of Body Worn Camera Equipment.

## **BACKGROUND**

Adoption of Resolution 2022-95 will allow the Mayor to execute a five-year contract for Body Worn Camera and Conducted Energy Weapon equipment, hardware, software, licenses, training and service contract.

In 2019 the Finance Department conducted a formal request for bids to establish the most cost effective body worn camera system provider. Six camera vendors provided bids. Three vendors did not meet all the bid specifications and were deemed non-responsive. Three were selected to perform demonstrations of their products and services. Axon Enterprises, Inc. provided the lowest responsive bid.



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In an effort to maintain consistency and interoperability between the current evidence management system and services, the purchase from Axon Enterprises, Inc. is in the best interest of the department and the community.

The Axon Body 3 and the Taser 7 include the most technically efficient hardware. The Taser 7 features a more accurate aiming system than previous versions and has a dual probe system that can be selected for targets at varying distances. The Taser 7 has a feature that turns on the officers Body Worn Camera whenever the Taser is activated. The use of this integrated system encourages police professionalism and courtesy, and provides for transparency with the public.

Per EMC Section 10-102(b), when the item is required to be compatible with other equipment presently on hand and is to be purchased from the supplier, or EMC Section 10-102 (d), when the city manager has declared in writing a specific brand or specialized piece of equipment is required to meet quality and performance criteria, and a substitute item would not meet or exceed the specified criteria, the specialized piece of equipment may be considered a sole source. Accordingly, approval has been received from the City Manager to consider Axon Enterprises, Inc. as a sole source provider of this equipment.

The five-year contract includes 166 Axon Body 3 cameras with evidence and records management capabilities; 100 Taser 7s conducted energy weapons; the combination of basic license, including storage; and camera bundles including equipment and docking stations. Services and products provided shall also include all necessary licenses. The annual breakdown of costs is:

Year 1: \$429,698.97

Year 2: \$275,609.94

Year 3: \$275,609.94

Year 4: \$275,609.94

Year 5: \$275,609.94

Total Price: \$1,532,138.75

## RESOLUTIONS

- a. Resolution No. 2022-95
- b. Resolution No. 2022-95 Exhibit "A"