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TO: EUSTIS CITY COMMISSION

FROM: TOM CARRINO, CITY MANAGER

DATE: NOVEMBER 17, 2022

RE: RESOLUTION NUMBER 22-81: AXON ENTERPRISE, INC.

CONTRACT RENEWAL

Introduction:

Resolution Number 22-81 authorizes the City Manager to execute all agreements and contracts with Axon Enterprise, Inc. for the purchase of controlled electronic weapons, body worn cameras, evidence.com storage, warranty and service plans, and all other supporting hardware and software in accordance with the proposal documents.

Background:

In 2008, the Eustis Police Department fully implemented a controlled electronic weapon program (Taser) for all uniformed road patrol officers. The Eustis Police Department has significantly advanced this program by developing policy and training all sworn personnel to include instructor staff members. The controlled electronic weapon program remains an essential role in providing sworn officers with the ability to utilize non-lethal options in a variety of law enforcement situations. Controlled electronic weapons provide a significant measure of safety to sworn officers, as well as combative or otherwise violent subjects.

In 2013, the Eustis Police Department was one of only a small handful of law enforcement agencies in the State of Florida to fully purchase and implement an agencywide body worn camera program for all uniformed road patrol officers. The body worn cameras were first generation devices, a technology new to law enforcement. The program experienced great success in protecting officers, establishing evidence in criminal proceedings, providing video and audio supporting transparency in the citizen complaint process, and providing the ability to audit and monitor officer behavior.

The previous contract was a five year, no interest payment schedule which provided for an immediate and full replacement of 32 controlled electronic weapons and 32 body worn cameras to outfit the uniformed patrol division. The proposal included a full warranty for both devices during the five-year period, with unlimited cloud data storage. Evidence.com is the data storage provider, and is CJSTC (Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission) compliant. The proposal included all ancillary equipment such as holsters, camera holders, data docking stations, cords, batteries, cartridges, etc. The proposal also included 32 new body worn camera exchange at 2.5 years, and a new controlled electronic weapon exchange after the final payment of year 5.

Recommended Action:

Staff recommends approval of resolution.

Budget Impact:

The Axon Enterprise proposal is a five year, no interest payment schedule which provides for an immediate and full replacement of 37 controlled electronic weapons and 37 body worn cameras to outfit the uniformed patrol division. The proposal includes a full warranty for both devices during the five-year period, with unlimited cloud data storage. Evidence.com is the data storage provider, and is CJSTC (Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission) compliant. The proposal includes all ancillary equipment such as holsters, camera holders, data docking stations, cords, batteries, cartridges, etc.

The proposal involves an initial payment of \$64,954.01 for the first year, with additional yearly installments of \$64,953.72 for the remaining four years. The total cost of the proposal is \$324,769.88.

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