



CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

TO: Matthew R. Schmitz, MPA - City Manager

FROM: David Niedert – Police Chief

DATE OF MEETING: May 27, 2025

ITEM TITLE: Police Cameras – Authorization for Purchase

BACKGROUND:

This item was discussed during the FY2026 Budget cycle, as well as during the recent City Council Work Session held on May 5, 2025. This was brought to the May 12, 2025, City Council Meeting; **however, there was no formal motion or second made.**

DISCUSSION:

Captain Lau has been working on getting bids together for the replacement of the Police Department's in-car and body-worn camera systems. Three bids were received, and the department would like to proceed with the bid from Axon Enterprise, Inc.

Although the purchase is budgeted for FY2026, the total price exceeds \$50,000. Because of this, the City Manager will need Council approval to sign the agreement.

RESULTS:

The City has established priorities during strategic planning sessions. This item supports the Vision from that session of supporting high-quality City services. This item helps achieve that vision by ensuring that our Police Officers have in-car and body-worn cameras to provide necessary video footage for events that they encounter.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

This item is included in the CIP for FY2026, with funding provided from the 2025 Spring Bond Issuance that is currently underway. No funds will be expended for this until July 1, 2025, and the expenditure will occur within fiscal year 2026.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends a motion to authorize the City Manager to move forward with this purchase.