



CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

DATE: January 6, 2025

FROM: Tyson Cheek, Chief of Police

AGENDA ITEM: Consideration and possible action authorizing the Police Department to purchase Axon In Car Dash Camera systems using Buy Board contract 743-24 in an amount not to exceed \$215,000.00, and authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary document.

SUMMARY:

- On February 5th of 2024, I presented an agenda item to counsel requesting that I be allowed to apply for state and federal grant funding to be used to upgrade In-Car Dash Camera systems.
- Funds for these projects were authorized under authorized under 34 U.S.C. §10152 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG). JAG funds are made available through a Congressional appropriation to the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, but applied for through the NTCOG. This is a competitive grant and awarding of funds was not guaranteed.
- This JAG grant did not require matching funds. I originally applied for the full amount, but the grant initially goes through the North Texas Council of Governments review. NTCOG tentatively approved and recommended a funding amount lower than requested. It then went to the Governor's office for final approval.
- Approval of the grant by the Governor's office was received December 17th, 2024 with funding set at \$100,000.00. The remaining cost of the systems will be split over the next five years to reduce annual budget costs.
- The Axon quote is for 19 dash camera systems, installation, software, and cloud data storage. The quote also includes their TAP program which is their warranty/replacement program and promises complete system replacement/upgrade at the end of the five-year term. Annual budgeted amount the next five years would be an amount not to exceed \$23,000.00.

FISCAL INFORMATION:

Budgeted: Yes Amount: \$215,000.00 GL Account: 001-20-5610

RECOMMENDED MOTION OR ACTION:

Staff recommends approval.

ATTACHMENTS:

Axon quote