

STAFF REPORT



SUBJECT: Axon Enterprises Contract re-write for Body Worn Cameras, Fleet Cameras, Interview Room Cameras and Evidence.com Subscriptions

DEPARTMENT: Police

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RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the contract rewrite with Axon for camera services and storage.

BACKGROUND:

Since 2013 the Police department has used body cameras provided by Axon Enterprises (formerly known as Taser International). In May of 2020 we entered into a five-year contract with Taser to provide both body-worn cameras (bwc) and vehicle mounted cameras. Both the body-camera and fleet systems use evidence.com to manage and store the videos, perform video redaction and digital evidence management and sharing. The original contract provided a set amount of storage (9 TB), user accounts (12 pro, 30 basic) and enough body cameras for all patrol officers and animal services officers (26). In 2021 we entered into a contract with Axon to provide Interview room cameras that also use the evidence.com system for storage. All three of these systems integrate together using evidence.com for complete video evidence management but are on separate contracts.

In the last two years we have begun to greatly exceed the amount of storage used (currently 19 TB) as well as having insufficient number of user licenses to evidence.com for all employees who need access. We have also added one additional fleet camera to the system. Axon has offered to re-write the contract to provide unlimited storage for video, body worn and interview room camera systems, refresh all current body worn cameras and docks with brand new equipment, increase the number of body worn cameras and docks to include all sworn and field personal (46) and provide additional licenses for evidence.com users. (14 pro, 34 basic.) They will also install new fleet cameras in FY 23 at no charge when the new model comes out. The new contract will continue to provide complete warranty and maintenance for all hardware as well as refresh hardware at the 2.5 and 5 year marks.

The contract re-write will also place all three current contracts into a single contract all on the same upgrade and refresh cycles with a single yearly payment. This will simplify contract administration and reduce administrative costs associated with approving and paying each contract each year.

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY:

No impact to the FY 21/22 budget as the Year 1 costs for all contracts in the amount of \$58,755.45 is already budgeted. For years 2 to 5 the yearly cost will increase to \$76,258.58.

ALTERNATIVES

- Continue with current contracts, pay additional storage costs
- Create separate contract for additional equipment/storage