

CITY OF TUALATIN

Staff Report

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

THROUGH: Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

FROM: Greg Pickering, Chief of Police

DATE: September 22, 2025

SUBJECT:

Consideration of Resolution No. 5914-25 Authorizing a Contract Renewal with Axon for Body Worn Cameras, Tasers, Digital Evidence Storage, Maintenance, and Support.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Tualatin Police Department wishes to renew its contract with Axon for body worn cameras, tasers, digital evidence storage, maintenance, and support. The contract provides for upgrades across the five-year renewal term and will ensure all sworn personnel remain equipped with reliable less-lethal tools and evidence-capture technology, improving both officer safety and community transparency.

This renewal will allow the Department to continue capturing evidence during selected public contacts, to include emergency high-risk encounters and to increase our transparency with the community, thus reducing the City's overall risk exposure and potential liability. The upgraded technology will also allow supervisors to review officer interactions with the public and identify areas that require increased training.

The five-year contract renewal with Axon will be under a "lifecycle" program that combines equipment, warranties, and refresh cycles. Through this program, the Department will receive updated and supportable replacement technology at regular intervals, keeping equipment current. In addition to hardware, the program provides cloud-based digital evidence management through Axon's Evidence.com platform, which integrates with the Department's records management system. This system provides secure case-based storage and allows the Washington County District Attorney's Office to access case evidence directly. It also supports broader evidence access for investigators, defense attorneys, civil attorneys, and others, with appropriate redaction by the Property & Evidence Technician.

Under this renewal, the Department will receive new Axon Taser 10s, along with associated cartridges, holsters, and accessories. Body-worn cameras will remain in service until scheduled refreshes in 2028 and 2030, ensuring continuity of coverage and eventual upgrades to newer models. The program also includes licenses for Axon's AI Assistant and VR training modules, which the Department will use for enhanced casework and officer training.

The Police Department reviewed its requirements and concluded that Axon continues to be the best fit. The League of Oregon Cities conducted a cooperative procurement and executed a Master Price Agreement with Axon, which the City of Tualatin is using for this renewal. This cooperative purchase provides best pricing and eliminates the need for the City to issue its own Request for Proposals.

OUTCOME OF DECISION:

Adopting the resolution will enable the Police Department to maintain and upgrade its body-worn camera and less-lethal technology program.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

The contract renewal totals \$551,250 over five years, structured as follows:

- Year 1: \$79,711
- Years 2-5: \$117,885 annually

The first-year cost is included in the adopted FY 2025–26 General Fund budget. Costs in future years will be incorporated into subsequent General Fund budgets.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Resolution No. 5914-25 Authorizing a Contract Renewal with Axon.