

## Wylie City Council

## **AGENDA REPORT**

Department:	Police Department	Account Code:
Prepared By:	Purchasing	<u> </u>
Subject		
he Police Departmen		The City Council of the City of Wylie, Texas, approving a purchase for ole source provider of Taser™ equipment in the amount of \$65,990.40; ssary documents.
Recommenda	tion	
Motion to approve th	e Item as presented.	

## **Discussion**

The use of TASERs have reduced claims of injuries to both suspects and officers. Many agencies report that instances of uses of force dramatically decline once the TASER is introduced as a tool. It is vitally important that proper training as well as policy and procedures are in place concerning deployment of this device. Many agencies report that the presence of a TASER at the scene of a disturbance eliminates a situation that in the past would have required hands on. The cost to equip the department with the new Taser 7, is \$65,990.40 each year for a five-year agreement totaling \$329,952.00. The overall cost can be less than the cost of an officer or suspect's injury claim due to being involved in a physical altercation and becoming injured. This is a benefit to the City and the community.