



County of Milwaukee
Office of the Sheriff

Earnell R. Lucas
Sheriff

DATE: February 4, 2020

TO: Supervisor Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., Chairman, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chief Deputy Denita Ball, Office of the Sheriff, Milwaukee County

SUBJECT: Request to execute the renewal option with Axon Enterprise Inc. (F/K/A Taser International, Inc.) to purchase body cameras, Tasers and cloud-based management services for a period of four-year in the amount of \$2,111,664.00.

BACKGROUND

The Office of the Sheriff did not use the RFP process for the agreement with Axon Enterprise Inc. (F/K/A Taser International Inc.) but will leverage the Texas Department of Information Resources Technology contract with Axon Enterprise Inc, which has been reviewed and approved by County Procurement Director Mr. Patrick Lee.

Per MCGO, Chapter 32.31 Cooperative Purchasing, the procurement division is authorized to join other units of government, and with quasi-governmental agencies funded in whole or in part by the county, in cooperative purchasing plans when in the best interests of the county as determined by the procurement director or his or her designee.

The Axon Enterprise Inc.'s renewal option includes a combination of body cameras as well as the latest T7 taser and the use of a cloud-based evidence management solution with Criminal Justice Information system (CJIS) compliant cloud-based storage of digital evidence.

Body cameras include the latest camera model, two mounting options, Evidence.com Pro licenses, wall mountable docking stations, and hardware upgrades at 30 and 60

months. Also included Signal sidearm technology for automatically activating Axon Body cameras when a side arm is drawn.

Tasers will include the T7 model, holster, rechargeable battery, docks, auto-activation capability, training cartridges, unlimited Duty cartridges, unlimited online training, Oculus and Virtual Reality training tool with Halt Suit.

The Axon Enterprise Inc.'s renewal option includes one Week Professional Services for installation, user training, administrator training and deployment activities for each phase of deployment, Evidence. Com Account for District Attorney for unlimited sharing and storage of digital evidence from MCSO Axon program at no cost. The renewal option also includes Redaction Assistant software, which is an AI driven redaction tool, that will greatly assist with necessary video redaction, and Axon Aware Plus, for full LTE live streaming.

It is requested that the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors approve the Chief Deputy's request to enter into the renewal option with Axon Enterprise, Inc. to provide body cameras, T7 tasers and use of cloud-based evidence management for the Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office in accordance with state laws, federal laws, Milwaukee County ordinances and MCSO rules and regulations.

RECOMMENDATION

The Chief Deputy of the Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office respectfully submits this action item to request the authority to enter a renewal option for a four-year period at a cost of \$2,111,664.00, with AXON Enterprise Inc.

FISCAL NOTE

The AXON Enterprise Inc.'s renewal option will be in the amount of \$2,111,664.00 over a period of four years. The funds in the amount of \$527,916.00 will be requested in 2021 budget request and each year from 2022 -2024.



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