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From the District Attorney, Requesting Authorization to Enter into a Single Source Five-Year Contract with Axon Enterprises, Inc., to Provide Investigators and Process Investigators in the Milwaukee County District Attorney’s Office with Body-Worn Cameras and Associated Equipment and Services; and Requesting an Appropriation Transfer to Increase Org. Unit 4500 - District Attorney expenditures (Account 70809) by \$24,979 and revenues (Account 44007) by \$24,979 consistent with that Contract and a Grant Award (Grant award ID 15PBJA-21-GG-04399-BWCX) which will Partially Off-set the Contract Costs, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, body-worn cameras improve law enforcement interactions with the public, strengthen law enforcement accountability, and assist in deescalating conflicts, resulting in more constructive encounters between officers and the community; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2021, the United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) released a solicitation for Federal funding under the 2021 BJA Federal Fiscal Year 21 Body-Worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program to Support Law Enforcement Agencies, Grant Opportunity Number O-BJA-2021-131001 (Federal Grant), which is a three-year grant to fund the purchase of body-worn cameras that are implemented as part of comprehensive body-worn camera programs; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Grant requires a local match of at least 50 percent per year; and

WHEREAS, in Adopted File No. 21-581, the Office of the District Attorney (DA’s Office) requested and received permission to apply for the Federal Grant, and to accept the grant funds if awarded; and

WHEREAS, on December 17, 2021, the DA’s Office received notice that it had received an award in the amount of \$48,000 over a three-year period under the Federal Grant, to partially fund the acquisition and maintenance of, digital storage for, and training for the use of, body-worn cameras and equipment (body-worn camera services), for sworn Investigators and Process Investigators in the DA’s Office; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Grant is designated as Grant ID 15PBJA-21-GG-04399-BWCX; and

WHEREAS, the DA’s Office has an authorized staff of 25 sworn positions, including six hourly Process Investigator positions, 16 Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) Investigator positions, and two FTE Line Supervisor positions, who interact with members of the public when engaging in official, law enforcement-related functions; and

47 WHEREAS, Axon Enterprises, Inc. (Axon), supplies body-worn camera services
48 to law enforcement agencies throughout the United States, and the State of Wisconsin
49 (the State), and to ten agencies in Milwaukee County (the County), including the
50 Milwaukee Police Department and the Office of the Sheriff; and

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52 WHEREAS, the DA's Office has received a proposed five-year contract with
53 Axon for body-worn camera services, having an overall five-year contract cost of
54 \$152,486, and annual shared costs as follows:

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	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Total
Federal Funds	\$24,979	\$12,816	\$10,205	\$0	\$0	\$48,000
County Funds	\$24,979	\$12,816	\$15,427	\$25,632	\$25,632	\$104,486
Total Expense	\$49,958	\$25,632	\$25,632	\$25,632	\$25,632	\$152,486

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59 WHEREAS, the DA's Office has submitted sole source justification, and
60 requested single source approval to contract with Axon for body worn-camera services
61 for the DA's sworn positions; and

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63 WHEREAS, there are no police body-worn camera provider companies located
64 in the County or in the State, that could provide comparable body-worn camera
65 services; and

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67 WHEREAS, in entering a five-year contract with Axon for body-worn camera
68 services, the DA's Office will be committing to a comprehensive body-worn camera
69 services program that embodies evidence-based and problem-solving approaches; and

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71 WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance (Finance) at its meeting of
72 March 17, 2022, laid over File No. 22-325 to the Call of the Chairperson (vote 6-1); and

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74 WHEREAS, Finance, at its special virtual meeting of March 22, 2022,
75 recommended adoption of File No. 22-325 (vote 5-1); now, therefore,

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77 BE IT RESOLVED, the Office of the District Attorney is hereby authorized to
78 enter into a five-year contract, with a not-to-exceed cost of \$152,484, with Axon
79 Enterprises, Inc., for the provision of body-worn camera services, with an effective date
80 of April 1, 2022, through March 31, 2027, hereto attached to this file; and

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82 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Office of Strategy, Budget, and Performance,
83 and the Office of the Comptroller, are authorized to process an appropriation transfer to
84 increase Org. Unit 4500 – District Attorney Expenditures (Account 70809) by \$24,979,
85 and Revenues (Account 44007) by \$24,979, to reflect the receipt of the Federal United
86 States Department of Justice Grant Award (Grant Award ID 15PBJA-21-GG-04399-
87 BWCX) to effectuate the body-worn camera services initiative.

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