

# Mayor and Council Communication

**DATE:** 08/03/21

**M&C FILE NUMBER:** M&C 21-0530

**LOG NAME:** 38AXON TASER SPENDING AUTHORITY INCREASE

**SUBJECT**

(ALL) Authorize Increase of \$30,429.00 in Annual Spending Authority for the Sole Source Agreement with Axon Enterprise Incorporated to Purchase the Conducted Electrical Weapon Taser 7 and Related Hardware for the Municipal Court Department's Marshal Division for an Amount Up to \$318,429.00 Per Year for Five Years

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council authorize an increase of \$30,429.00 in annual spending authority for the sole source agreement with Axon Enterprise Incorporated to purchase the conducted electrical weapon Taser 7 and related hardware for the Municipal Court Department's Marshal Division for a total amount up to \$318,429.00 per year for five years.

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**DISCUSSION:**

On March 28, 2017, through Mayor and Council Communication (M&C) C-28163, the City Council authorized a contract for body-worn cameras, conducted electrical devices, in-car video systems, external data storage and related equipment, including Taser X2 devices, and services for the Police Department with one one-year option to renew the agreement. The agreement expired on September 30, 2018 with no remaining options to renew.

On December 15, 2020, (through M&C 20-0972), the City Council authorized a sole source agreement with Axon Enterprise Incorporated to upgrade the conducted electrical weapon from Taser X2 to Taser 7 as part of the Officer Safety Program bundle for the Police Department for an annual amount up to \$288,000.00. The Municipal Court is requesting to increase spending authority by \$30,429.00 to a new total of \$318,429.00 annually in order to purchase Taser 7 units for Marshals. The \$30,429.00 increase will allow the department to purchase tasers which are designed to maximize performance and improve officer safety. This authorizes an increase of \$30,429.00 for years one (1) through five (5) totaling \$152,145.00 for the life of the contract.

Axon Enterprise, Inc. is the documented sole source for Taser conducted energy devices and accessories.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This M&C does not request approval of a contract with a business entity but seeks only to increase existing spending authority.

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**FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:**

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are available in the current capital budget, as previously appropriated, in the Special Revenue MC Fund for the Court Technology Fees project to support the approval of the above recommendation and execution of the contract. Prior to any expenditure being incurred, the Municipal Courts has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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