




MEMORANDUM

Date: October 12, 2023

To: Honorable Mayor and Commissioners

Via: Albert P. Childress 
City Manager

From: Sean T. Brandenburg
Chief of Police

Subject: Authorize the Key West Police Department to purchase ten (10) Taser 7s, ten (10) Body Worn Cameras, and related equipment and software from Axon Enterprises, pursuant to Key West Code of Ordinances, Sections 2-844 (a) – Brand Name, 2-797 (1)(b) and (1)(c) – Sole Source, and 2-797 (4)(b) – Best Interest. In a total amount of \$139,293.05, to be paid in four equal installments of \$34, 823.27, for a period of four years. Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute necessary documents, upon consent of the City Attorney; authorizing any necessary budget transfers or adjustments; providing for an effective date.

Introduction

The Key West Police Department is requesting authorization to purchase ten (10) Taser 7s, ten (10) Body Worn Cameras, and related equipment and software from Axon Enterprises, pursuant to Key West Code of Ordinances, Sections 2-844 (a) – Brand Name, 2-797 (1)(b) and (1)(c) – Sole Source, and 2-797 (4)(b) – Best Interest. In a total amount of \$139,293.05, to be paid in installments for a period of four years.

Background

As part of our ongoing technology update and enhancement program. These tasers & body worn cameras will be deployed to patrol officers to better meet the demands of officer safety and evidence collection. Their use will enhance safety and accountability in various ways. Tasers provide officers with a less-lethal option to subdue resisting subjects and reduce the need for more severe physical force.

Body worn cameras promote transparency and accountability by capturing video evidence of interactions between officers and the community. This can help improve trust, resolve disputes, and provide valuable evidence for investigations and legal proceedings.

Procurement

Funding for this purchase has been approved in our FY23/24 budget, in account #101-2101-521-6400, Machinery and Equipment. The total amount of this purchase will be \$139,293.05, to be paid in equal installments of \$34,823.26, for a period of four years.

Recommendation

The Key West Police Department recommends this purchase to improve the effectiveness and safety of our officers.

Exhibits:

Exhibit A – Axon Quote

Exhibit B – Axon Master Services and Purchasing Agreement

Exhibit C – Axon Sole Source Justification Letter