



Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Linda Gorton
Mayor

Kenneth Armstrong
Commissioner

TO: Mayor Linda Gorton
Urban County Council

Lawrence B. Weathers

FROM: Chief Lawrence B. Weathers
Lexington Police Department

CC: Commissioner Kenneth Armstrong
Department of Public Safety

DATE: August 5, 2021

SUBJECT: Axon Enterprise, Inc. –
Master Services and Purchasing Agreement and Quote
Sole Source Certification

Request

Authorization to accept the attached Master Services and Purchasing Agreement and Quote with Axon Enterprise, Inc., and also reestablish Axon as a Sole Source Vendor.

Why are you requesting?

We started our body worn camera program in 2016 which included a purchase of cameras for 400 officers. The contract duration was for five years and is set to expire this October. In 2017 we made a sole source purchase of additional cameras for 124 officers to match our authorized strength in primary enforcement positions and deploy cameras to officers in additional units. In 2021 we made an additional sole source purchase of cameras to complete our deployment of body worn cameras to all sworn officers of the department, safety officers and civilian forensic services employees. Almost all sworn officers with the department are issued a Taser conducted electrical weapon. Beginning in FY23 all off our current Tasers will be at end of life and require replacement over three fiscal years at a cost of 1.3 million dollars. This plan bundles our Body Worn Cameras, Tasers, accessories, storage fees, software licensing, training and maintenance. Additionally there are several items included that address recommendations made by the Mayor's Commission for Racial Justice and Equality. This package would include equipment to allow for the automatic activation of all body worn cameras in the area when a Taser is activated or a firearm is drawn from its holster. We would also be able to link our dispatch system with the video storage system to provide better tracking of incidents where a recording would have been required to ensure compliance with our policies. Finally this would provide an automated system which would require supervisors to conduct routine random audits of videos from officers under their supervision. The system will track these reviews and ensure compliance through reporting to higher level supervisors.

Since there are no other vendors that provide all of the above mentioned products and services, we are reestablishing Axon Enterprise, Inc. as a sole source vendor.

The Lexington Police Department is requesting approval of the new five (5) year Master Service and Purchasing Agreement, Axon Quote, and reestablish Axon as a Sole Source Vendor.

The required funds for FY22 are budgeted and available. Additional funds would be required and will be requested in the subsequent fiscal years.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years?

FY22 - \$1,027,786.45

FY23 - \$1,604,985.36

FY24 - \$1,604,985.36

FY25 - \$1,604,985.36

FY26 - \$1,604,985.36

Are the funds budgeted? Yes

- 1101-505502-5527-76102
- 1101-505502-5527-75801
- 1101-505502-5525-76101
- 1101-505507-5571-75101

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**Director/Commissioner: Lawrence B. Weathers, Chief
Lexington Police Department**

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