

City Council

Approval of a Resolution Authorizing a Master Services and Purchasing Agreement with Axon Enterprises, Inc. for the Purchase of Body-Worn Cameras and In-Car Video Systems

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

On April 27, 2022, the Community Livability and Public Safety Committee agreed to forward a recommendation to the City Council to approve acquisition and implementation of body-worn cameras and in-car video systems.

City Manager Recommendation:

Whether to approve the Resolution authorizing the Master Services and Purchasing Agreement and authorizing the City Manager to executive the Agreement to obligate funds for the purchase of bodyworn cameras and in-car video systems.

Report

Issue:

Whether to approve the Resolution authorizing the Master Services and Purchasing Agreement and authorizing the City Manager to executive the Agreement to obligate funds for the purchase of bodyworn cameras and in-car video systems.

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Presenter(s):

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Background and Analysis:

During the 2021 legislative session, the Washington State Legislature passed House Bill 1223 (now called the Uniform Electronic Recordation of Custodial Interrogations Act outlined in RCW Chapter 10.122), which requires, at minimum, audio recording of any custodial interrogation in the field and

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both audio and video for interrogations conducted at the police department or jail.

The implementation of body-worn cameras and in-car videos is the most appropriate, reliable, and safest means to fulfil this mandate. On December 14, 2021, the City Council appropriated \$1.1 million of the \$10 million it received from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 to implement bodyworn cameras and in-car video systems.

Per RCW 10.109.020, the City Council on May 10, 2022, formally authorized the Department to obtain and employ the use of body-worn cameras and in-car video systems. The Department provided a two-week opportunity beginning May 11, 2022, for the community to provide input through the City's Engage Olympia program.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

The community has an expectation of police transparency and accountability, which body-worn cameras and in-car video systems will help to provide.

Options:

- 1. Approve the Resolution to approve the Master Services and Purchasing Agreement between the City of Olympia and Axon Enterprises, and the terms and conditions contained therein and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement and any other documents necessary to obligate funds for the purchase of body-worn cameras and in-car video systems.
- 2. Do not approve the Resolution.
- 3. Amend the Resolution and consider approval at a later date. This will delay the implementation of body-worn cameras and in-car video systems.

Financial Impact:

On December 14, 2021, the City Council appropriated \$1.1 million of the \$10 million it received from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 to implement body-worn cameras and in-car video systems.

Attachments:

Resolution Agreement