

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRESNO, CALIFORNIA AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE AND SERVICE OF BODY-WORN CAMERAS, TASERS, RMS, AND CAD SYSTEMS, DATA STORAGE, AND OTHER RELATED SOFTWARE WITH AXON ENTERPRISES, INC. WITHOUT ADVERTISED COMPETITIVE BIDDING

WHEREAS, the Fresno Police Department has determined that the Axon ecosystem, including CAD, RMS, body worn cameras, unlimited data storage, tasers and other related software would benefit police officer safety and improve public safety to the citizens of Fresno; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fresno's Police Department requires a product package that integrates hardware and software seamlessly for optimum functionality, and is fully NIBRS and CJIS compliant; and

WHEREAS, police evidence and records require multiple layers of secure management, oversight and transparency measures to maintain and enhance public trust; and

WHEREAS, over the past nine years the Fresno Police Department has engaged in a development partnership with Axon Enterprise, Inc. to field test and demonstrate multiple Axon software products, with the most significant being Axon CAD and RMS, with savings to the City of Fresno in the millions of dollars; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the unique integration Axon offers between its hardware and software ecosystem, multiple components of the system are not offered by other providers and are solely available through Axon, including, but not limited to Respond Plus

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live streaming of body camera video, Draft One artificial intelligence driven police report writing narrative assistance, Taser 10 Multi-shot conducted energy weapon, Axon Body 4 enhanced body worn camera, unlimited data storage of body camera video and digital evidence, auto-tagging of body worn camera video via CAD system, and Standards administrative workflow management system; and

WHEREAS, a previous investigation by the Police Department determined that Axon Body 4 cameras, sold exclusively by Axon Enterprise, is the only camera which provides the necessary features and specifications required to be compatible with Axon CAD and RMS, as well as secure digital evidence storage via the Azure GovCloud, which eliminates need to install and maintain additional internal servers; and

WHEREAS, the price of the Officer Safety Premium package, including body worn cameras, unlimited data storage, Tasers and numerous other software features is the product of extensive negotiations between the Chief of Police and Axon Enterprises, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Fresno Police Department has undergone extensive data integration for RMS and years of evidentiary body camera recording, deploying another RMS system or body worn camera system would require significant financial resources, time and training efforts, and would severely compromise public service and transparency efforts; and

WHEREAS, City of Fresno Charter Section 1208 requires competitive bidding for materials, supplies, equipment or for any public work of improvement involving the expenditure of City monies in excess of \$166,000 unless Council determines that the work to be done or the goods to be supplied can only be provided by one source, and the purchase is authorized by resolution of Council containing a declaration of the facts

constituting the sole source.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Fresno as follows:

The Council has received and considered the report and recommendations of City staff.

1. The Axon ecosystem hardware and software required by the City of Fresno's Police Department will best serve officer safety and the community.

2. Council finds it is proper to dispense with the competitive bidding requirements in this instance, and the Chief of Police or designee is authorized to enter into a five-year contract with Axon Enterprise, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$18,368,264.68 (\$1,247,549.76 year one; \$1,871,789.27 year two; \$3,702,094.40 year three; \$5,659,592.77 year four and \$5,887,238.48 year five) for the purchase, maintenance and upgrade of 800 body-worn cameras, 800 taser 10's, unlimited video and data storage, a Computer Aided Dispatch system (CAD), a Records Management System (RMS) and multiple additional Axon software programs, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

3. This resolution is effective upon final approval.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF FRESNO) ss.
CITY OF FRESNO)

I, TODD STERMER, City Clerk of the City of Fresno, certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Fresno, at a regular meeting held on the ___ day of _____ 2024.

AYES :
NOES :
ABSENT :
ABSTAIN :

Mayor Approval: _____, 2024
Mayor Approval/No Return: _____, 2024
Mayor Veto: _____, 2024
Council Override Vote: _____, 2024

TODD STERMER, CMC
City Clerk

By: _____
Deputy Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
ANDREW JANZ
City Attorney

By: _____
Jennifer M. Wharton Date
Deputy City Attorney