



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street
Chicago, IL

Legislation Text

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PROPOSED CONTRACT (TECHNOLOGY)

Department(s): Sheriff's Bureau of Information Technology, Public Defender

Vendor: Axon Enterprise, Scottsdale, Arizona

Request: Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to enter into and execute contract

Good(s) or Service(s): Taser Weapon, Axon Body Worn Camera Equipment, Maintenance and Cloud Storage

Contract Value: \$16,440,150.00

Contract period: 9/12/2019 - 9/11/2024

Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact: Sheriff: FY 2019 \$3,200,100.00, FY 2020 \$3,200,100.00, FY 2021 \$3,200,100.00, FY 2022 \$3,200,100.00, FY 2023 \$3,200,100.00 | Public Defender: FY 2019 \$87,930.00, FY 2020 \$87,930.00, FY 2021 \$87,930.00, FY 2022 \$87,930.00, FY 2023 \$87,930.00

Accounts:

Sheriff: 11100.1217.540135 - Maintenance, Repair and Data, 11100.1217.560155- Institutional Supplies

Public Defender: 11100.1260.501790-Prof /Tech Membership Fees, 11100.1260.521074 - Expert Witnesses

Contract Number(s): 1912-17934

Concurrence(s):

The contract-specific goal set on this contract was zero.

The Chief Procurement Officer concurs.

The Chief Information Officer has reviewed this item and concurs with this recommendation..

Summary: Requesting authorization to enter into contract with Axon Enterprise to allow the Sheriff's Office to upgrade and expand its existing body worn camera and TASER weapon inventory to outfit more sworn members. This upgrade and expansion will provide the public and sworn members with additional safety and security. This contract includes cloud storage for video footage recorded on body worn cameras to Axon Evidence (Evidence.com), which provides seamless end user accessibility. Additionally, this contract with Axon includes the TASER Assurance Plan (TAP) which is comprised of hardware extended coverage, spare products for Axon cameras, upgrade models, Axon body camera and Axon docking stations, only available through Axon Enterprise, Inc. Axon exclusively maintains their products and services. Any work completed/attempted to be completed outside of the original manufacturer renders the manufacturer's warranty void.

Axon is the only company that sells law enforcement grade weapons which are sold strictly to law enforcement agencies. The TASER brand weapon is the only weapon that will activate the body worn camera (v3) manufactured by Axon. Axon is the sole distributor of all TASER brand products. The body worn camera and TASER weapon both manufactured by

Axon are one of a kind because when the TASER weapon is utilized, the body worn camera is activated. Axon cloud storage is unique to the Axon weapon and Axon camera because when docked on the respective docking station, the data/video uploads directly to the cloud without the user having to do anything more than dock the camera/weapon.

Public Defender: Axon Justice Systems provides body worn cameras by contract with the Chicago Police Department and several other law enforcement agencies in Cook County. Each of those agencies has a duty, through the pre-trial discovery process, to share the videos recorded by those cameras with the Public Defender's Office. The only means of sharing those videos which won't require the Public Defender's Office to buy and maintain permanent storage is to maintain an account with Axon Justice System. This account would allow us to receive and keep videos that are essential to the representation of our clients. Axon Justice System is the only provider we could use for this as their body cameras and the videos they create are designed to work with an account with their agency. No other system would allow us to watch and store the videos.

This is a Sole Source Procurement pursuant to Section 34-139 of the Cook County Procurement Code.