



Colonial Heights City Council Meeting Agenda Item Executive Summary

City Council Meeting

MEETING TYPE: City Council Special Meeting

MEETING DATE: October 18, 2022

ITEM: Discussion Regarding Acquisition of New Tasers for the Police Department and Sheriff's Office

DEPARTMENT: City Manager/Police Department/Sheriff's Office

PROPOSED ACTION: This item is for City Council and staff discussion.

BACKGROUND: At the October 18 worksession, staff will provide a briefing on a proposal to acquire a large number of tasers (either as replacements or as additional units) for the Police Department (45 units) and the Sheriff's Office (12 units). The proposal from Axon Enterprise, Inc. provides for a five-year purchase plan, with the City owning the units after five years.

The cost of the program from the proposal is as follows:

Year 1:	\$19,439.92
Year 2:	\$43,738.22
Year 3:	\$43,738.22
Year 4:	\$43,738.22
Year 5:	\$43,738.22
Total:	\$194,392.80

The program with Axon provides the City with an allocation of taser cartridges and training cartridges for the units. Acquiring the large allocation of taser units will allow for all officers to be using the same, updated model. The Police Department had some funds budgeted for tasers in the FY 23 budget, but they have already acquired three taser units. The Sheriff's Office has some limited taser funding budgeted in the FY 23 budget. Additional information about the capabilities of the new taser units will be discussed at the worksession.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Funding for this item was: included not included in the current-year budget N/A
While the Police Department and Sheriff's Office had some funds budgeted for tasers in FY 23, full funding of this proposal was not planned for in the FY 23 budget. Staff will plan to cover the FY 23 first year cost through existing budgeted funds within the Department (Sheriff's Office) and through asset forfeiture funds (Police Department).

RECOMMENDATION: The City Manager recommends proceeding with the five-year taser plan with Axon Enterprises, Inc.

ATTACHMENTS: Axon Proposal

- Staff will be making a detailed presentation on this agenda item at the meeting.**
- Staff will provide brief comments and answer questions on this item at the meeting.**
- This is a routine procedural item and no presentation is planned for the meeting.**

Councilmembers who have any detailed questions or would like to request additional information regarding this item are encouraged to contact the City Manager at their earliest convenience.