

"...meeting community needs...enhancing quality of life."

Information Technology Department 100 N. Appleton Street Appleton, WI 54911

MEMO

To: Alderperson Plank and Members of the Finance Committee

From: Dean Fox, Information Technology Director & Chief Todd Thomas APD

Date: 3/19/15

Re: Request to award sole source contract to Taser International for body cameras and Taser's under a 5 year contract in the amount not to exceed \$98,605 in year one.

The 2015 budget includes \$55,000 in IT funding and \$43,604 from APD funding for a cloud based body cam solution provided by Taser International of Scottsdale, AZ.

Since our original discussions with the Taser representatives, Taser has come out with a new plan called the Officer Safety Plan which includes the following:

- Unlimited Evidence.com cloud based storage
- At year 2.5 and year 5 new upgrades to all body cameras and docks
- Extended warranties on all cameras and docks
- One Taser CEW of the officers choice with 5 total years of warranty

Our sole source request is for the following points in addition to the above:

- Ability to wear the camera on the head
- Ability to record 10 hours nonstop
- 6 Bay Docking Station Allows officers to "dock and walk" providing automatic uploads and charging to Evidence.com
- Secure uploads

- Cloud based solution to minimize resources in management and easier to share evidence with other law enforcement agencies and representatives
- Ability to add metadata via a mobile application with either a smartphone or MDC
- Ability to clip, flag and tag portions of video from longer clips
- Audit trail provides tracking and chain of custody along the entire workflow

The proceeding years 2 through 5 have a yearly cost of, \$80,748 for a 66 unit deployment. Further funding is being requested through carryover for a full deployment of 86 units.

Should the 86 units be approved and carryover funds allocated for this year that would make the yearly ongoing cost \$104,508. That number would cover all necessary personnel at the Appleton Police Department.

After testing and research of other vendors the staff agreed that Taser was the best option with all the added value the Officer Safety Program affords.

The evaluation team requests your consideration and approval of a contract with Taser International.

If you have any questions regarding this recommendation please contact Dean Fox or Chief Todd Thomas.