



# RAPID CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Karl Jegeris, Chief of Police

TO: CIP Committee

FROM: Karl Jegeris, Chief of Police *KJ*

DATE: May 2, 2016

SUBJECT: Request for Funding – Body Worn Camera Program

I am requesting that the committee consider funding of \$560,000 for a Body Worn Camera Program for the Rapid City Police Department. I realize that we are operating on a 5 year plan for such significant purchases and encourage you to place this item into the plan so that we may begin directing staff time to research and development to be prepared for implementation.

We previously had \$100,000 earmarked in the CIP 5 year plan, which was removed at the request of the previous mayor. I believe that we should reinstate funding for this technology as it is only a matter of time before it is coming to our agency. The estimate of \$560,000 is a rough estimate at this point, utilizing the attached contract numbers from the City of Denver and City of Minneapolis. An approximate average cost per camera for a 5 year contract is \$7,000. This contract includes all equipment and storage functions. Our department would require 80 cameras, which equates to the \$560,000 estimate. I believe this cost could be spread over 5 years in the CIP plan if desired. I believe once implemented, this will be a perpetual cost for the city.

ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION REQUEST

Please email requests to the Mayor's Legislative Team at MileHighOrdinance@DenverGov.org by 3:00pm on Monday.

\*All fields must be completed.\*
Incomplete request forms will be returned to sender which may cause a delay in processing.

Date of Request: June 2, 2015

Please mark one: [X] Bill Request or [ ] Resolution Request

1. Has your agency submitted this request in the last 12 months?

[ ] Yes [X] No

If yes, please explain:

2. Title: (Include a concise, one sentence description - please include name of company or contractor and contract control number - that clearly indicates the type of request: grant acceptance, contract execution, amendment, municipal code change, supplemental request, etc.)

For an ordinance approving a proposed Contract Agreement between the City and County of Denver and Taser International, Inc to purchase equipment and data storage for the Denver Police Department Body Camera Program.

3. Requesting Agency: Denver Police Department

4. Contact Person: (With actual knowledge of proposed ordinance/resolution.)

- Name: Laura Wachter - Department of Safety
Phone: 720-913-6445
Email: Laura.Wachter@denvergov.org

5. Contact Person: (With actual knowledge of proposed ordinance/resolution who will present the item at Mayor-Council and who will be available for first and second reading, if necessary.)

- Name: Jeannie Springer - Denver Police Department
Phone: 720-913-6587
Email: Jeannie.Springer@denvergov.org

6. General description of proposed ordinance including contract scope of work if applicable:

- The proposed contract is the result of the formal City Purchasing Proposal #7256 Body Camera and Video Data Storage Management.
- The Denver Police Department requires a vendor to provide a cloud hosted, flexible, reliable and weather resistance, body worn video camera system.
- The vendor will supply DPD with all the necessary equipment hardware, video management system, system support/troubleshooting, and cloud storage necessary to support all sworn officers.
- The effective period of the Contractual Agreement shall be a minimum of five (5) years from date of the City Signature.

\*\*Please complete the following fields: (Incomplete fields may result in a delay in processing. If a field is not applicable, please enter N/A for that field.)

- a. Contract Control Number: 201522654-00
b. Duration: 07/01/2015 - 06/30/2020
c. Location:
d. Affected Council District: Citywide
e. Benefits:
f. Costs: \$6,101,035.00

To be completed by Mayor's Legislative Team:

SIRE Tracking Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Entered: \_\_\_\_\_

## Request for Committee Action

**To:** Public Safety, Civil Rights & Emergency Management  
**Date:** 2/17/2016  
**Referral:** Ways & Means  
**From:** Information Technology  
**Prepared by:** Barb Malinski  
**Presented by:** Otto Doll, Chief Information Officer  
**File type:** Action  
**Subcategory:** Contracts & Agreements

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**Subject:**

Contract with Taser International

**Description:**

Execute a five-year contract with Taser International for purchase of body worn camera equipment and provide a video storage solution for an amount not to exceed \$4,000,000.

**Previous Actions:**

August 3, 2015 – Committee recommends authorizing a six-month contract extension with Taser International, Contract C-38695, to provide equipment, service, and video storage for test and evaluation of officer worn body cameras through March 31, 2016, in an amount not-to-exceed \$85,000.

September 19, 2014 – Committee recommends that the proper City officers be authorized to execute the following one-year contracts to provide equipment, service and video storage for test and evaluation of officer worn body cameras through September 30, 2015:

- a) Taser International, for an amount not-to-exceed \$85,000
- b) VIEVU, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$85,000

**Ward/Neighborhood/Address:**

Not Applicable

**Background/Analysis:**

The City currently has a contract with Taser International, C-38695, to provide a test and evaluation of officer worn body cameras and a digital video storage solution for the Minneapolis Police Department (MPD). The current contract expires March 30, 2016 and has a total contract value of \$85,000.

The City released a Request for Proposal (RFP) in April 2014 for the test, evaluation, and storage solution. Taser International was one of the vendors chosen for the pilot program to provide the services.

After conducting significant internal and external research into customer needs and the body cameras and digital video storage solution, Information Technology (IT) and the MPD are requesting a contract with Taser International.

Information Technology requests approval of City officials to:

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- a) Execute a five-year contract with Taser, for an amount not to exceed \$4,000,000, for the purchase of body cameras and a digital video storage solution through March 14, 2021. Contract will allow purchase of 587 cameras, docking stations, storage, additional data access for investigations, replacement program for 300 conducted electrical weapons, and other support equipment such as clips and brackets.
- b) Customize the liability terms and conditions of the contract. The City's IT Department has reviewed the request with the City Attorney's Office to customize the terms and conditions in the contract as follows:

Taser International, Inc. (Taser) has proposed that both its and the City's liability, with two exceptions, be capped at the dollar amount paid by the City during each twelve month period measured prior to the date of the event or incident that triggered the claim. Generally, the dollar limitation will be approximately \$5,000,000 annually.

Taser's dollar cap on its liability has become a typical request by software suppliers. The software licensor's rationale is that it licenses its product to numerous users or licensees such as the City. If the software licensor had to include a minimum tort liability dollar amount that the City normally requires (1.5 million per occurrence or claim) into its cost structure, it would have to charge a license fee far in excess of the fee to be charged to the City.

It should be noted that Taser's liability cap does not apply to any claims or lawsuits filed against the City arguing that the City's use of the software licensed from Taser infringes upon any copyright, patent or trademark held by a third party such as another software supplier.

Similarly, the City's liability is unlimited should any of its data be found to infringe upon the intellectual property rights or privacy rights of a third party. The data and information that will be entered by the City in its use of the Taser evidence.com software application is data related to crime incident data and could violate privacy rights. Taser points out that the City controls all of the data and information that it uploads and stores on the Taser system. Furthermore, the data and information storage requirements may be subject to statutory changes in the foreseeable future.

**Financial Review:**

**No additional appropriation required, amount included in current budget.**