

Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council		Item ID:	69878	Agenda Number	21.
Meeting Date:	April 6, 2017				
Department:	Purc	hasing			

Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of a 60-month contract through the LOCAL GOVERNMENT PURCHASING COOPERATIVE, administered by TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL BOARDS (BuyBoard) with TASER INTERNATIONAL, to provide body worn cameras including software, cloud storage, licenses, and equipment maintenance and support, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$4,000,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$750,000 is available in State Grant Funding, with \$187,000 required matching funds available in the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Operating Budget of the Communications and Technology Management Department. Funding for the remaining 54 months of the original contract period is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	Multiple cooperative purchase programs were reviewed for these goods and services. The Purchasing Office has determined this Contractor best meets the needs of the department to provide the goods and services required at the best value for the City.
Prior Council Action:	
For More Information:	Shawn Willett, Deputy Procurement Officer, 512-974-2021
Boards and Commission Action:	
Related Items:	
MBE / WBE:	This procurement was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9D Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program. For the goods and services required for this procurement, there were insufficient subcontracting opportunities and an insufficient number of certified M/WBEs; therefore, no

subcontracting goals were established.

Additional Backup Information

The contract is for the purchase, implementation, and support of a limited number of wearable body cameras for the Austin Police Department (APD). Body worn cameras will allow APD officers to video and audio record their daily activities while on duty. This product will be capable of indexing video files using classifications, dates and times, officer identification and other data for retrieval. The contract also provides a warranty of all equipment as well as maintenance, upgrades, repair services, and cloud storage of all data. Body worn cameras will be refreshed or replaced at a minimum of every 24 months after each deployment. The contractor will remain compliant at all times with the requirements of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Criminal Justice Information System regarding system and network security and personnel backgrounds as applicable.

This contract will provide for the purchase of 724 cameras as well as for continuing cloud storage, software licenses, and equipment maintenance and support.

The BuyBoard cooperative establishes competitively bid contracts that can be utilized by the State and other government agencies through a cooperative agreement. Cooperative agreements save taxpayer dollars by leveraging the State's volume-buying power to drive down costs on hundreds of contracts through a streamlined cooperative purchasing program.

The proposed contract is exempt from the competitive bidding requirements of Chapter 252 of the local government code as this is a procurement necessary to preserve or protect the health and safety of the municipalities' residents. §252.022(a)(2) Tex. Loc. Gov't. Code.

Pursuant to departmental policy, the Purchasing Office has completed a Certificate of Exemption form for this proposed procurement.

Delay in approving or failure to approve this contract will result in APD not being able to outfit officers with body worn cameras and could result in the loss of grant funding.