



MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Mac Tristan, Chief of Police

Date: November 13, 2018

Reference: Consider approval to purchase sixty-eight (68) Taser Black X2's from Axon Enterprise in the amount of \$127,731.00 as budgeted in FY 18/19, and authorizing the City Manager to sign any necessary documents.

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Introduction:

Currently, every officer on Patrol Traffic, SRO and CID carry a Taser. Our existing Taser's were purchased in 2013 and have reached the end of life cycle. By continuing to use the current Taser, the Police Department will have increased maintenance costs associated with the continued use of this Taser. The current Taser will have an increased risk of failure as the Taser ages which could result in officer injury or legal issues.

Analysis:

Every five years, the Taser reaches its end of useful life. This occurs because technology is changing and Axon, the manufacturer of the Taser, no longer supports or services this equipment. The older Taser will be out of warranty in December 2018, therefore any repair costs will have to be paid by the department.

Legal Review:

Agenda item does not require legal review.

Fiscal Impact:

Axon provided a bid for 68 Taser X2 units at a total cost of \$127,731.00. These units will be purchased under the TX Smart Buy Contract No 680-A1. **The funds are budgeted in the Police Departments general fund budget for FY 18-19.**

Recommendation:

The Police Department recommends approval.