


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	25-345	Meeting:	September 8, 2025
	Agenda Item:	33	Roll Call:	25-1215
	Submitted by:	Michael McTaggart, Chief of Police		

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving the proposition to authorize and enter into a lease agreement in the principal amount, not-to-exceed \$1,091,998, for the purpose of purchasing electronic control devices (ECD) and materials for the Police Department from Axon Enterprise Inc. (17800 N 85th Street, Scottsdale, AZ 85255; Rick Smith, CEO).

SYNOPSIS:

Approval of the debit financing related to the purchase of ECD for the Police Department from Axon. This purchase will replace all the current devices available for training and use on duty. The new/upgraded device offers improved operational technology improvements, software for tracking usage, diagnostic information, and an analysis of each deployment. The device includes a visible warning spark (without deployment of the darts) to serve as a deterrent. The agreement includes an annual service agreement for software upgrades, maintenance of the equipment as well as unlimited replacement of batteries and cartridges. The financing agreement will allow the cost of the purchase and service agreement to be distributed over a five (5) year period. The devices provide a critical option to police officers as they work to de-escalate dangerous situations using the least force necessary.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$1,091,998 over the course of a five (5) Fiscal Year (FY) period –

- FY2026 - \$119,418
- FY2027 - \$243,145
- FY2028 - \$243,145
- FY2029 - \$243,145
- FY2030 - \$243,145

Funding Source: Operating Budget, FY2026, Patrol Section (PD220354), Page 198

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Approval of this loan agreement with payments over the five (5)-year term of the agreement not-to-exceed \$1,091,998.

- When verbal directives prove ineffective, the ECD is an essential option for police officers responding to dangerous situations. They are vital in minimizing the risk of injury to the public and police officers. Department trainers undergo extensive training and certification provided by the manufacturer and other sources to provide in-depth training to officers to include proper use and department policies.
- Over the last five (5) years, the department has averaged 20 ECD deployments per year, including many incidents with violent or dangerous individuals who were combative, suicidal, or possessed weapons. The updated ECDs have improved technology which includes a warning arc that visually sparks the device without deploying darts. New software has been added to the device to offer information on usage, diagnostic data, and an analysis of each deployment. The new design holds an additional cartridge for secondary use when necessary. The new model provides a greater deterrent to aid in de-escalation strategies.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: October 4, 2021

Roll Call Number: [21-1480](#)

Action: [On](#) the proposition to authorize a loan agreement in the principal amount not to exceed \$534,000 for the purpose of purchasing certain taser certification bundle equipment and materials, (10-18-21). ([Council Communication No. 21-409](#)) Moved by Gatto to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE**

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