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AGENDA
OXNARD CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
Council Chambers, 305 West Third Street
January 28, 2020
Regular Meeting - 2:00 to 3:15 PM

A. ROLL CALL, POSTING OF AGENDA, FLAG SALUTE

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

At this time, the legislative body will consider public comments for a maximum of fifteen minutes. A person may address the legislative body only on matters not appearing on the agenda and within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body. Speaker cards will not be accepted after the beginning of the general public comment period. Based on the number of speaker cards submitted, the presiding officer may impose time limits per speaker. Typically, speakers are limited to two minutes, but shorter time may be established as deemed necessary. A person not able to address the legislative body at this time because the fifteen minutes expires may do so just prior to adjournment of the meeting. The legislative body cannot enter into a detailed discussion or take action on any items presented during public comments at this time. Such items may only be referred to the City Manager for administrative action or scheduled on a subsequent agenda for discussion.

C. CONSENT AGENDA

1. City Clerk Department

SUBJECT: Approval of Minutes.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Public Safety Committee approve the minutes of the January 14, 2020 regular meeting as presented.

Contact: Michelle Ascencion, (805) 385-7805

D. REPORTS

1. Police Department

SUBJECT: Third Amendment to Axon International Contract. (5/5/5)

RECOMMENDATION: That the Public Safety Committee recommends City Council approve and authorize the Mayor to execute a third amendment to contract A-7858 with Axon International, Inc. for \$276,602.78, to add to the scope of services.

Contact: Scott Whitney, (805) 385-7624

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Agenda Item time estimates: (Staff Presentation / Committee Discussion / Public Comment)

2. Police Department

SUBJECT: Pedestrian and Bicyclist Safety. (15/10/5)

RECOMMENDATION: That the Public Safety Committee receive a presentation on pedestrian and bicyclist safety.

Contact: Scott Whitney, (805) 385-7624

E. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

F. ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES
OXNARD CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
Regular Meeting
January 14, 2020

A. ROLL CALL, POSTING OF AGENDA, FLAG SALUTE

At 2:03 p.m., Chair MacDonald called to order the regular meeting of the Oxnard City Council Public Safety Committee in the City Hall Council Chambers at 305 W. Third Street, Oxnard, California. The City Clerk called the roll and announced the posting of the agenda. Members Vianey Lopez and Chair Bryan A. MacDonald were present; Member Carmen Ramirez was absent.

Staff members present were Alexander Nguyen, City Manager; Stephen Fischer, City Attorney; Brian Yanez, Assistant Public Works Director; Joe Rodriguez, Interim Fleet Manager; Denise Shadinger, Police Commander; and Michelle Ascencion, City Clerk.

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Written comments were received from Ray Blattel (parking enforcement).

C. CONSENT AGENDA

City Clerk Department

1. SUBJECT: Approval of Minutes.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Public Safety Committee approve the minutes of the November 12, 2019 regular meeting as presented.

VOTE: Lopez and MacDonald voted in favor of approval; the minutes were approved 2-0.

D. REPORTS

Police Department

1. SUBJECT: Purchase of Police Department Vehicles, Motorcycles, and Off-Road Vehicles.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Public Safety Committee recommend City Council:

1. Approve and authorize the Mayor to execute six (6) Purchase Orders for a total amount of \$595,829.21, for a total of twelve (12) public safety vehicle purchases with accessories and equipment:

- a) Seven (7) patrol vehicles for a cost of \$349,724.01 from National Auto Fleet Group;
- b) Three (3) police motorcycles for a cost of \$94,881.54 from Long Beach BMW Motorcycles;
- c) One (1) Ford Transit Cargo Van for a cost of \$69,321.51 from National Auto Fleet Group;
- d) One (1) 4x4 pick-up for a cost of \$48,787.86 from National Auto Fleet Group;
- e) Police Radios for a cost of \$12,681.29 from Telecom, Inc.;
- f) Mobile Dispatch Computers for a cost of \$20,433.00 from PCS Mobile.

2. Authorize the City Manager to execute a budget appropriation adjustment in the amount of \$161,388.

The Assistant Public Works Director introduced the Interim Fleet Manager, who gave a report. Discussion ensued among the Committee and staff.

It was moved by Chair MacDonald, seconded by Member Lopez, to approve the recommended action as presented. VOTE: Lopez and MacDonald voted in favor; the motion carried 2-0.

E. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS (No requests were made.)

F. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business on the agenda, and without objection, Chair MacDonald adjourned the meeting at 2:14 p.m.

MICHELLE ASCENCION, CMC
City Clerk

BRYAN MACDONALD
Chair



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE AGENDA REPORT

REPORTS AGENDA ITEM NO. D.1.

DATE: January 28, 2020

TO: Public Safety Committee

FROM: Scott Whitney, Police Chief, (805) 385-7624, scott.whitney@oxnardpd.org

SUBJECT: Third Amendment to Axon International Contract. (5/5/5)

RECOMMENDATION

That the Public Safety Committee recommends City Council approve and authorize the Mayor to execute a third amendment to contract A-7858 with Axon International, Inc. for \$276,602.78, to add to the scope of services.

BACKGROUND

In March 2016, City Council approved the original agreement with Axon International, in the amount of \$375,608.65. The agreement was for the purchase of 50 body worn cameras (BWC's), with an Officer Safety Package. The Officer Safety Package included BWCs and Taser ECDs. Body Worn Cameras have been shown to have a positive impact on the public's perception and confidence in the police. Overall, BWCs improve police-community interactions, as well as promote transparency in operational procedures.

In September 2016, City Council approved the first amendment to the agreement, in the amount of \$729,808.27, for the purchase of 100 additional BWCs including the Officer Safety Package.

In March 2018, City Council approved the second amendment to the Agreement, in the amount of \$268,973.55, for the purchase of 50 additional BWCs. This purchase did not include an Officer Safety Package, thus Taser ECDs were not included. The Police Department currently has an inventory of 200 BWCs that are assigned to sworn personnel. In September 2018, the Department purchased 50 additional Taser ECDs. This third amendment to the Agreement also ratifies the purchase of the 50 Taser ECDs from September 2018.

In addition, the third amendment will include the following changes to the existing contract: 1) add 66 licensed users to Evidence.com, 2) add Redaction Assistant software, 3) add 80 units of Signal Vehicle to be installed in police cruisers, 4) add a video recording system for six interview rooms at police headquarters, and 5) ratify the purchase of 50 Taser electronic control devices (ECD).

Axon's Evidence.com is a cloud-based system that consolidates digital files, making them easy to manage, access and share while maintaining security and chain of custody. Currently, the Police Department pays for 200 Evidence.com licenses. However, there are 266 Evidence.com users within the Department. Thus the Department needs to add 66 licenses.

Prior to releasing BWC video, it is necessary to redact the videos to ensure that privacy and confidentiality matters are respected where appropriate. Axon's Redaction Assistant software uses artificial intelligence to automatically identify and track faces, screens, and license plates in a video. Redaction Assistant reduces the amount of time required to redact a BWC video by approximately 90%, compared to conventional methods of manually redacting a BWC video. The agency-wide license fee for Redaction Assistant, for an agency with 151-350 sworn personnel, is \$24,000 (discounted) for Year 1 and \$28,800 for Year 2.

Axon Signal Vehicle is a technology that automatically turns on an officer's BWC upon the activation of a police cruiser's emergency lights and siren. This allows officers engaged in emergency driving to focus on the critical situations in front of them without having to be concerned about manually activating their BWC.

Currently, there are six (6) interview rooms in the police station. The current recording system in these interview rooms is outdated, in disrepair, and needs to be replaced with an updated system. A system that is more efficient in storing recordings is a cloud-based evidence system, which includes yearly maintenance and software updates.

An Axon interview room recording system would interface with the existing software that runs the body worn cameras. All recordings would be stored in Evidence.com which is the Department's current digital evidence system that contains all of the Department's body worn camera recordings. Selecting Axon for an interview room recording system offers standardization with the housing and control of digital evidence for the Department.

The overall cost of a new Axon interview room recording system is \$99,963.68. The initial first year purchase would be \$68,191.68 (cameras, server licenses, touch panel, and 5 year warranty); year 2-5 costs would be \$7,943, which includes maintenance and software updates.

The third amendment to the Agreement, in the amount of \$276,602.78, will bring the total Agreement amount to \$1,650,993.25 through October 28, 2024.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

This agenda item supports the Quality of Life strategy. The purpose of the Quality of Life strategy is to build relationships and create opportunities within the community for safe and vibrant neighborhoods, which will showcase the promising future of Oxnard. This item supports the following goals and objectives:

Goal 1. Improve community safety and quality of life through a combination of prevention, intervention, and suppression efforts that address crime and underlying issues.

Objective 1a. Create a renewed focus on police/community relations with underserved communities and youth population.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

On December 3, 2019, the City Council unanimously approved using grant funding from the State Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Fund (SLESF) Grant Project No. 662157 / Account No. 195-2030-802-8209). There is sufficient funding from the SLESF Grant to fund the \$276,603 additional cost of this third amendment.

Prepared by: Robin Whitney, Police Commander

ATTACHMENTS

1. A-7858 Axon Amendment #3
2. Presentation Axon Third Amendment

THIRD AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT FOR BODY-WORN CAMERA SYSTEM

This Third Amendment ("Third Amendment") to the Agreement for Body-Worn Camera System ("Agreement") is made and entered into in the County of Ventura, State of California, this _____ day of _____, 2020, by and between the City of Oxnard, a municipal corporation ("City"), and Axon Enterprise, Inc., ("Axon"). This Third Amendment amends the Agreement entered into on March 22, 2016, by City and Axon. The Agreement previously has been amended on September 13, 2016, by a First Amendment, and on March 20, 2018, by a Second Amendment.

City and Axon agree as follows:

1. The Term in Section 1 of the Agreement is hereby amended to "October 28, 2024."
2. In the second paragraph on page 2 of the Agreement, add additional quotes "Q-225053-43776.985CN, Q-178649-43789.190CN and Q-164381-43325.706BS" which shall be added after the previously stated quote.
3. Add Quote# of Q-225053-43776.985CN which increases the Agreement, an additional amount by \$106,601.60; and,
4. Add Quote# of Q-178649-43789.190CN which increases the Agreement, an additional amount by \$99,963.68; and,
5. Ratify Quote# of Q-164381-43325.706BS which increases the Agreement, an additional amount by \$70,037.50 for a total of \$ 1,650,993.25 shall be added to the end of the Agreement and incorporated therein by reference.
6. As so amended, the Agreement remains in full force and effect.

[Signatures on next page]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed the Amendment on the date first written above.

CITY OF OXNARD

AXON ENTERPRISE, INC.

Tim Flynn, Mayor¹ Date

Robert Driscoll, 11/26/19
VP Associate GC/Assistant Secretary Date

ATTEST:

Matt Morstad 11/26/19
VP, Sales Operations Date

Michelle Ascencion, City Date
Clerk (only if Mayor signs)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Stephen M. Fischer, City Date
Attorney (always required)

¹ The City Council must authorize and the Mayor must sign the amendment if the original contract and all amendments collectively total over \$200,000 annually. The City Manager may authorize and sign the amendment if the original contract and all amendments collectively total over \$100,000 but up to \$200,000 annually. The Purchasing Manager may authorize and sign the amendment if the original contract and all amendments collectively total up to \$100,000 annually. A Buyer may authorize and sign the amendment if the original contract and all amendments collectively total up to \$25,000 annually.

**Public Safety Committee Meeting
January 28, 2020**

**Third Amendment to Axon
Contract**

**Eric Sonstegard, Assistant Police Chief
Robin Whitney, Commander
Sharon Giles, Commander**



Recommendation

That the Public Safety Commission recommend City Council approve and authorize the Mayor to execute a third amendment to contract number A-7858 with Axon International, Inc. to add to the scope of services. The original agreement was approved by Council in March of 2016.



Recommendation

The third amendment will include the following changes to the existing contract: 1) add 66 licensed users 2) add Redaction Assistant software 3) add 80 units of Signal Vehicle to be installed in police cruisers 4) add a video recording system for six interview rooms at police headquarters and 5) ratify the purchase of 50 Taser electronic control devices (ECD's). The amount of the third amendment is \$276,602.78.

Body Worn Cameras-General Information

- Body-Worn Cameras (BWC's)
 - Positive impact on public's perception and confidence in PD
 - Improve police-community interactions
 - Promote transparency in operational procedures



Axon - Contract Background

- March 2016 -Purchased 50 BWC's -\$ 375,608.65
- Sept. 2016-Purchased 100 BWC's - \$729,808.27
- March 2018-Purchased 50 BWC's - \$268,973.55
- Proposed Third Amendment - \$276,602.78
- Proposed Total Agreement \$1,650,993.25
(through 10/28/24)

Axon Evidence.Com

- Evidence.com
 - Cloud-based system
 - Consolidates digital files
 - Makes them easy to manage, access and share
 - Maintains security and chain of custody
- Currently-200 Evidence.com licenses
- Currently- 266 Evidence.com users
- Need to add 66 Evidence.com licenses



Axon Redaction Assistant

- Prior to releasing BWC
 - Redaction necessary
 - Ensures privacy and confidentiality is respected
- Redaction Assistant
 - Uses artificial intelligence to identify and track faces, screens, and license plates
 - Reduces time required to redact a video by approx. 90%
 - Year 1 \$24,000 (discounted), Year 2 \$28,800



Axon Signal Vehicle

- Axon Signal Vehicle
 - Automatically turns on BWC upon activation of emergency lights and siren.
 - Allows officers to focus on the critical situations in front of them, without having to be concerned about manually activating their BWC

Interview Room Cameras

- Existing cameras are outdated, in disrepair, and need replacement
- Update with cloud based evidence system
- Axon Interview Room would interface with BWC software
- All recordings would be stored in Evidence.com which houses all BWC recordings
- Will standardize housing and control of digital evidence



Cost of Axon Interview Room Recording System

- Year 1 - \$68,191.68
- Year 2 - \$ 7,943.00
- Year 3 - \$ 7,943.00
- Year 4 - \$ 7,943.00
- Year 5 - \$ 7,943.00

Total over five years- \$99,963.68



Questions?





PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE AGENDA REPORT

REPORTS AGENDA ITEM NO. D.2.

DATE: January 28, 2020

TO: Public Safety Committee

FROM: Scott Whitney, Police Chief, (805) 385-7624, scott.whitney@oxnardpd.org

SUBJECT: Pedestrian and Bicyclist Safety. (15/10/5)

RECOMMENDATION

That the Public Safety Committee receive a presentation on pedestrian and bicyclist safety.

BACKGROUND

The goal of each community is to provide safe and convenient transportation choices to all citizens, whether it's by walking, bicycling, transit, or driving. Each year, unfortunately, pedestrian and bicyclist fatalities in the United States comprise about 16 percent of all traffic fatalities with approximately 5,000 pedestrian deaths and 800 bicyclist deaths. Another 65,000 pedestrians and 48,000 bicyclists are injured nationally in roadway crashes annually. Many more non motorized road users are injured each year, in addition to many unreported crashes or near misses involving pedestrians and bicyclists. ⁽¹⁾ These numbers have been rising recently and this is unacceptable. ⁽²⁾

In Oxnard, the challenges are similar to communities throughout the nation. While the number of pedestrian and bicycle-related traffic collisions have remained steady over the last several years, 2019 was a tragic year as it related to traffic collision fatalities. In 2019, the city of Oxnard experienced seven (7) pedestrian-related fatalities and five (5) bicycle-related fatalities. Those tragedies included the death of an 8-year old student struck by a van while walking to school early in the morning on Cooper Road.

While the Police Department works to improve the safety of pedestrians and bicyclists through community education, enforcement of laws, and collaboration with the Traffic Engineer's Office, there are still considerable challenges to overcome. The city of Oxnard is over one-hundred (100) years old and the infrastructure and design of many of the thoroughfares are incompatible with the current needs of the population. We have a "commuter-based population" which lends to high volume and high speeds during peak traffic hours. There is a lack of properly marked bicycle lanes on the major thoroughfares and wide roads at major crossing locations. Crash risk increases on wide roads (four lanes or more) with high motor vehicle speeds and volumes. Intersections are more difficult to cross when pedestrians encounter wide crossing distances, large turning radii, multiple turn lanes, or traffic controls that are confusing or complex. Roadways with high vehicle speeds and volumes create potential for conflicts for bicyclists, who may resort to riding on sidewalks that do not provide adequate separation from pedestrians. ⁽³⁾

As referenced above, issues related to traffic have historically been addressed through the "Three E's" of traffic

to include: Education, Enforcement, and Engineering. Several of our education efforts include:

- Traffic Safety Fairs
- Collaborating with Community Based Organizations
- Participating in National Traffic Safety Educational Campaigns
- Traffic Safety Courses
- Social Media Public Safety Awareness Campaigns
- Community Bike Rides to Promote Bicycle Safety
- Officer Training

It is imperative that the education efforts not only target those currently driving motor vehicles but the youth in our community that are most often our pedestrians and bicyclists. In addition, educational issues focus more on teaching the audience rules and regulations that they are expected to follow and how these rules and regulations are enforced. Informational issues focus more on issues such as what it takes to be a safe pedestrian or bicyclist (e.g., always use a crosswalk, push the call button to receive the pedestrian signal, always look left-right-left before crossing the street). (4)

Enforcement efforts led by the Police Department include:

- Office of Traffic Safety Grant Funded Enforcement Operations including,
 - National Bicycle and Pedestrian Enforcement Campaigns
 - Highly publicized Enforcement Operations in Areas of High Bicycle/Pedestrian Collisions Resulting from Violations Made by Pedestrians, Bicyclists and Drivers
- School Zone Traffic Enforcement
 - Collaborating with School Resource Officers for School Zone Traffic Safety

The final “E”, engineering, is accomplished in partnership with the City Traffic Engineer’s office. Engineering efforts may include:

- School Safety Assessments with School Districts and Traffic Engineer’s Office
- Evaluation of Intersections with High Collision Rates and Potential Traffic Signal Timing or Flow Design
- Working with Traffic Engineer’s Office and UC Berkeley to Complete a Streets Safety Assessment

As we progress into 2020, pedestrian and bicycle safety will remain a high priority for city staff. Future efforts to address the ongoing issues may include:

- Grant Funding through the Office of Traffic Safety
 - S.T.E.P. Grant - Enforcement and Education Based
- Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Grant - Education Based
 - Participation in Walking Field Trips, Safe Routes to School, & Walking School Buses
- Bicycle Safety Rodeos
- Community Safety Presentations
- Continuing to Collaborate with the Traffic Engineer’s Office
- School Safety Assessments
- Recommendations on Roadway and Intersection Design
- Signal Timing and Pavement Marking
- Developing a Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Action Plan

- (1) Stutts, J. C., & Hunter, W. W. (1999). Motor vehicle and roadway factors in pedestrian and bicyclist injuries: An examination based on emergency department data. *Accident Analysis and Prevention*, 31, 505-514.
- (2) U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, Pedestrian & Bicycle Safety
- (3) https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/ped_bike/ped_focus/docs/fhwasa17050.pdf
- (4) U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, Promoting Pedestrian and Bicyclist Safety to Hispanic Audiences, 2005

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

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FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact.

Prepared by: Denise Shadinger, Police Commander

ATTACHMENTS

1. Presentation_ Pedestrian and Bicyclist Safety

Public Safety Committee Meeting

January 28, 2020

Bicyclist and Pedestrian Safety

Eric Sonstegard, Assistant Police Chief
Denise Shadinger, Commander
Ricardo Vazquez, Sergeant



Presentation Objectives

Provide a Presentation on Bicyclist and Pedestrian Safety,
Including Collision Statistics, Enforcement, Education, and
Engineering Efforts.



City of Oxnard

100+ year old City

Infrastructure not designed for current needs

- Outdated street/neighborhood/development designs
- Mixture of old and new residential/commercial areas
- Design changes may not be possible

Commuter based population

- Speed and high volume traffic during peak hours
- Lack of bicycle lanes along major thoroughfares
- Wide roads at major crossing locations



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Pedestrian Involved Collisions

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Total Pedestrian Collisions	98	104	118	111	116
Pedestrian Collisions w/ Injury	91	95	112	106	109
Pedestrian Fatal Collisions	3	2	3	5	7



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Bicyclist Involved Collisions

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Total Bicyclist Collisions	76	67	86	69	58
Bicyclist Collisions w/ Injury	72	67	85	68	49
Bicyclist Fatal Collisions	0	2	1	1	5



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Efforts to Improve Traffic Safety

Education

- Traffic Safety Fairs
- Collaborate with Community Based Organizations
- Participate in National Traffic Safety Educational Campaigns
- Traffic Safety Courses
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- Community Bike Rides to Promote Bicycle Safety
- Officer Training



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Efforts to Improve Traffic Safety

Enforcement

- Office of Traffic Safety Grant Funded Enforcement Operations
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Efforts to Improve Traffic Safety

Engineering

- School Safety Assessments with School Districts and Traffic Engineer's Office
- Evaluation of Intersections with High Collision Rates and Potential Traffic Signal Timing or Flow Design
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Looking Toward the Future

Enforcement/Education

- Grant Funding through the Office of Traffic Safety
 - S.T.E.P. Grant - Enforcement and Education Based
 - Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Grant - Education Based
 - Participation in Walking Field Trips, Safe Routes to School, & Walking School Buses
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- Community Safety Presentations

Engineering

- Continue to Collaborate with the Traffic Engineer's Office
 - School Safety Assessments
 - Recommendations on Roadway and Intersection Design
 - Signal Timing and Pavement Marking



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***"Protecting our Community
with Exceptional Service"***

