

TEMPORARY RESOLUTION NO. 154-22

PERMANENT RESOLUTION NO. 144-22

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO DISPENSE WITH COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH AXON FROM THE SOURCEWELL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM AND TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF A THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATE, AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, each Lancaster Police Department (LPD) officer assigned to the patrol division is currently assigned a body worn AXON camera, but officers and supervisors in adjacent unit(s) are not; and

WHEREAS, the contract for this equipment is set to expire at the end of 2022 and the renewal proposal provides for higher resolution body worn cameras for all officers, allowing for additional transparency and better video quality; and

WHEREAS, recorded data from AXON body worn camera is stored on Evidence.com, a division of AXON, and LPD's current contract permits only limited storage space for those recordings; and

WHEREAS, the renewal proposal also includes "unlimited" storage space on Evidence.com, which is necessary due to video quality advances; and

WHEREAS, the appropriation for this purchase is included in the proposed 2023 budget for the Lancaster Police Department and the terms of the contract are spelled out in Temporary Resolution 153-22; and

WHEREAS, a Then and Now Certificate is requested in case a purchase order cannot be opened before Axon begins billing LPD for this equipment and services in early 2023;

BE IT RESOLVED BY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, STATE OF OHIO

SECTION 1. That the Service-Safety Director is hereby authorized to dispense with competitive bidding and to enter into a contract with AXON for the purchase of AXON body worn cameras, unlimited storage space, and support services, as these items are available through the cooperative purchasing program Sourcewell which was previously authorized by Lancaster City Council in Permanent Resolution 2-22.

SECTION 2. That City Council hereby authorizes the issuance of a Then and Now Certificate to make payment for this purchase.

SECTION 3. This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure, necessary for the preservation of public peace, health, welfare, and safety. The reason for the emergency is to ensure the continuous use of police body worn cameras by the Lancaster Police Department and the storage of all associated evidence for prosecution purposes.

Passed: 11/28/22 after 1st reading. Vote: Yeas 9 Nays 0

Date Approved: 11/28/22

Clerk: Jessica Lee Sandy

Offered by: Don McDaniel

Second by: [Signature]

Requested by Finance Committee

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President of Council

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Mayor