

SUBSTITUTE ORDINANCE NO. BL2023-113

An ordinance approving Amendment Number 1 to Contract number 6488663 between the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County (“Metro”) and Axon Enterprise, Inc., to add an optional renewal term of up to 120 months and to increase the value of the contract and to require quarterly reports from the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department to the Metropolitan Council related to the use of tasers during the term of this contract.

WHEREAS, Metro previously entered a sole source contract, contract number 6488663 approved by Resolution RS 2022-1365, with Axon Enterprise, Inc., to provide tasers, taser cartridges and accessories for the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department; and,

WHEREAS, the parties desire to amend the contract to add an optional 5-year renewal term, and increase the overall value, among other things; and,

WHEREAS, Section 4.12.160 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws limits the term of contracts for supplies to sixty (60) months, unless otherwise authorized by Metropolitan Council; and,

WHEREAS, it is essential that Metro Nashville Police Department has tasers and taser accessories for the safety of MNPDP Officers and Metro Citizens; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department to have the option to extend the term of contract number 6488663.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

Section 1. That Amendment Number 1 to contract number 6488663 between Axon Enterprises, Inc. and the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, is hereby approved, and the Metropolitan Mayor is authorized to execute same.

Section 2. That further amendments to contract number 6488663 shall be approved by resolution of the Metropolitan Council receiving at least twenty-one (21) affirmative votes.

Section 3. That, during the term of this contract, the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department shall provide a report to the Council at the end of each quarter regarding its use of tasers. Such report shall include the number of taser deployments, the average number of taser cartridges used per incident, the number of times a firearm was used by MNPDP officers in addition to a taser deployment, and a summary of incidents where an individual subject to the taser deployment suffered an injury directly related to the taser deployment.

Section ~~3~~ 4. This ordinance shall take effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.

Sponsored by:

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