CITY OF WEST ALLIS RESOLUTION R-2022-0399

RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF A 5-YEAR CONTRACT FOR BODY WORN CAMERAS AND ACQUIRING UNLIMITED THIRD-PARTY STORAGE FOR A SUM OF \$132,800.00 PER YEAR FROM AXON

WHEREAS, the West Allis Police Department has been equipping police officers with Axon Body Worn Cameras (BWCs) and storing BWC digital evidence in Axon's Evidence.com, which is a cloud based software platform, since 2017; that the 5-year contract for this service expires on 6/30/2022; and,

WHEREAS, the West Allis Police Department has found these BWCs and Evidence.com to be durable, reliable, and easy to use; that Axon's customer support has also been found to be friendly, helpful, and timely in resolving issues; and,

WHEREAS, the West Allis Police Department believes BWCs are an important tool for law enforcement as they obtain excellent evidence for criminal prosecutions, allow for transparency with the community, provide excellent training opportunities, allow staff to be more efficient, strengthen the Department's reputation for being a highly professional law enforcement agency, help manage liability, and help reduce frivolous claims; and,

WHEREAS, in addition to BWC digital evidence, the West Allis Police Department commonly acquires various other types of digital evidence associated with law enforcement investigations; that this digital evidence is stored in various storage solutions; that it has been determined these storage solutions are aging and do not have the capacity to handle the size of ever-growing digital evidence; that Axon's Unlimited Third Party Storage would allow police officers and investigators to store all digital evidence associated with law enforcement investigations in Evidence.com; that this would alleviate the need to replace aging storage solutions, alleviate capacity issues, and make it easier to manage and share digital evidence with other law enforcement professionals and prosecutors; and,

WHEREAS, the West Allis Police Department currently uses Axon Interview Room (interview camera system) and also stores this digital evidence in Evidence.com; and,

WHEREAS, the West Allis Police Department is in the processing of deploying Flock Safety cameras (automated license plate readers); that Flock Safety is the only official partner with Axon; that digital evidence from Flock Safety cameras will also be stored in Evidence.com; and,

WHEREAS, the West Allis Police Department has received a quote from Axon; and,

WHEREAS, the West Allis Police Department has consulted with the West Allis Finance Department to help ensure best possibly pricing and that pricing is consistent with existing competitive contracts (e.g., NASPO ValuePoint competitive contract); and, **WHEREAS,** the West Allis Police Department and West Allis Finance Department has researched the vendor pricing and offering of \$132,800.00 for the necessary software, hardware, licensing, and cloud-based storage, to be fair and reasonable; and,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of West Allis that the West Allis Police Department is authorized to enter into a 5-year professional services agreement with Axon for a total sum not to exceed \$132,800 per year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that annual funding for this purchase will be charged to account 100-2101-521.32-03 in the Police Department operating budget.

SECTION 1: <u>ADOPTION</u> "R-2022-0399" of the City Of West Allis Municipal Resolutions is hereby *added* as follows:

ADOPTION

R-2022-0399(Added)

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF WEST ALLIS COUNCIL

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Ald. Angelito Tenorio				
Ald. Vince Vitale				
Ald. Tracy Stefanski				
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Attest

Presiding Officer

Rebecca Grill, City Clerk, City Of West Allis

Dan Devine, Mayor City Of West Allis
