



## Legislation Text

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### **Title**

Axon Body and Fleet Camera - Purchase

### **History**

On Wednesday, January 13, 2021, the Illinois Senate voted to approve House Bill 3653, a 764-page document which mandates that effective January 1, 2024, municipalities with a population of 50,000 or more, but under 100,000, are required to implement the use of officer-worn body cameras. In November of 2020, the Orland Park Police Department began to field test body worn cameras manufactured from three (3) separate vendors. Those vendors were Watch Guard (Motorola), Panasonic and Axon. The purpose of the pilot program was to determine the capabilities and limitations of each system to include, but not limited to resolution abilities, storage requirements, redaction capabilities, durability of the equipment, training demands, and the overall quality of each camera unit. At the completion of the field testing, a unanimous decision amongst all officers involved determined that the Axon product was the leader and best suited the needs of the Orland Park Police Department. Axon's Body and Fleet Camera program bundles hardware, software, accessories, training programs, 24/7 customer support, equipment refreshes, and warranties together, to help equip the officers with the solutions they need.

The Axon body and fleet camera hardware components include, 116 Axon body-worn cameras with two (2) upgrades, eleven (11) Axon body-worn cameras docks and wall mounts, one (1) body worn camera mount per camera, forty-four (44) Fleet three (3) camera packages, and Axon signal sidearm activation (a smart sensor that attaches to an officer's holster) which uses Axon signal technology to trigger Axon body-worn cameras within range to start recording automatically when an officer's weapon is drawn) and Axon Signal Performance Power Magazine (SPPM) Taser Activation. This proprietary piece of equipment captures critical footage when using the TASER X2 Smart Weapon. The SPPM reports to the officers body camera when the weapon is armed and logs the moment that the trigger is pulled and arc is engaged.

Axon is the only vendor with a proven holster activation for the firearm and taser which is currently carried in the field by officers. The need to activate the camera upon removal of the duty weapon is paramount to the success of a body worn camera program.

The Axon agreement was thoroughly vetted by Klein, Thorpe and Jenkins and deemed satisfactory.

### **Financial Impact**

The total cost of the five-year program is \$974,999.99, which corresponds to \$189,025.91 year one and \$196,493.52 years 2 through 5. Year 1 costs will be paid for by generous citizen donations and from the state seizure and forfeiture accounts. The anticipated implementation of the Axon Body and Fleet Camera hardware will occur in January of 2022.

### **Recommended Action/Motion**

I move to approve the purchase of the Axon Body and Fleet Cameras in the amount not to exceed \$974,999.99;

And,

To authorize the Village Manager to execute the agreement upon approval of the Board, subject to Village attorney review.