



CITY OF WASHINGTON, ILLINOIS City Council Agenda Communication

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Agenda Item: Addition of Axon Unlimited Storage

Explanation: The Police Department uses Axon body cameras and will convert to Axon in-car cameras based on the existing contract schedule this summer. These services include Axon digital storage systems that integrate very efficient upload, retrieval, and dissemination features WPD uses to integrate digital evidence into our case stream. We have, as part of our contract, storage for non-Axon digital items. As examples, we use the system to store event videos submitted by witnesses or victims and we use it to store our own scene photos. The usefulness of the Axon system and the proliferation of data needs due to more and larger digital items leaves us with a shortage of space for non-Axon items (space is unlimited for Axon video). This shortage coincides with end-of-life for our physical, on-premise server primarily used for in-car videos from our existing in-car system. Replacing that storage alone and updating its software would leave us with a system less efficient than Axon and would not solve our Axon storage space issue. As such, we budgeted (FY 24-25) for unlimited Axon storage and are requesting approval of a contract modification for four years at \$11,552.40 per annum, \$46,209.60 total to bring unlimited storage to our Axon package.

Fiscal Impact: Four years at \$11,552.40 per annum, \$46,209.60 total.

Action Requested: Approval of the purchase.