

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CITY MANAGER, WAIVING BY 5/7<sup>TH</sup> VOTE, THE FORMAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING REQUIREMENTS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-367(E) OF THE CITY CODE, FINDING SUCH WAIVER TO BE IN THE CITY'S BEST INTEREST, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY TO NEGOTIATE AN AGREEMENT(S) WITH AXON ENTERPRISE, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF OFFICER SAFETY PLAN SUBSCRIPTIONS AND ADDITIONAL A LA CARTE PRODUCTS AND SERVICES, INCLUDING BODY-WORN CAMERAS, CONDUCTED ELECTRICAL WEAPONS, A VIDEO EVIDENCE MANAGEMENT AND DISTRIBUTION PLATFORM, INTERVIEW ROOM HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE, AND RELATED EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES; AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT(S) WITH AXON ENTERPRISE, INC., UPON CONCLUSION OF SUCCESSFUL NEGOTIATIONS, IN THE NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT APPROPRIATED ANNUALLY FOR THESE PRODUCTS AND SERVICES THROUGH THE CITY'S BUDGET PROCESS.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Miami Beach Police Department ("Department"), as part of its normal public safety operations, utilizes body-worn cameras ("BWC") and conducted electrical weapons equipment as effective tools in conducting its routine operations, including fighting crime; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department has successfully utilized conducted electrical weapons for approximately eighteen (18) years; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department also successfully utilizes interview room recording hardware and software, cloud data storage and distribution platform, artificial intelligence video redaction tools, on-line and virtual reality training, compliance and auditing tools; and

**WHEREAS**, beginning in April, 2014, pursuant to Resolution 2014-28746, the Department began a pilot program to evaluate the deployment and use of BWCs; and

**WHEREAS**, an additional (4) City departments, including Code Compliance, Parking, Building, and Fire, also utilize BWCs for daily business operations; and

**WHEREAS**, a one-year phased agreement with four (4) one-year renewals was executed with Axon (formerly Taser International); and

**WHEREAS**, this contract and all renewals have now run to conclusion and will expire on September 28, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department seeks to continue receiving the products and services provided by Axon; and

**WHEREAS**, all five (5) City departments currently desire to continue utilizing the above-referenced BWC products and services in the furtherance of the City's strategic objectives; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department has conducted market research as to viable options capable of integrating BWC, conducted electrical weapons equipment, interview room recording hardware and software, digital evidence management platform, cloud data storage and distribution platform,

artificial intelligence video redaction tools, on-line and virtual reality training, compliance and auditing tools; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department has determined that market options do not exist which would allow the seamless integration of the many products and services currently utilized and required for the Department's daily operations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Axon ecosystem is proven to be successfully capable with providing the Department a single and reliable source of public safety equipment, services, and video evidence collection; and

**WHEREAS**, upon further review and input from the Police Department, and with the support of the four (4) respective user departments, the Administration has determined that the City's public safety needs, multi-department equipment compatibility, and real-time logistics would be best met by standardizing purchases to Axon brand products and services; and

**WHEREAS**, for the reasons stated herein, the City Manager recommends waiving, by a 5/7ths vote, the formal competitive bidding requirement, as permitted in Section 2-367(E) of the City Code, as being in the best interest of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 2-391 of the City Code (which allows materials, supplies, equipment and certain contractual services to be standardized), the City Manager recommends negotiating an agreement(s) with Axon Enterprise, Inc. for the purchase of Officer Safety Plan subscriptions and a la carte products and services including: BWCs, conducted electrical weapons, a video evidence management and distribution platform, interview room hardware and software, and related equipment and services.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA**, that the Mayor and City Commission hereby accept the written recommendation of the City Manager and waive, by 5/7ths vote, the formal competitive bidding requirement, in accordance with Section 2-367 of the City Code, finding such waiver to be in the City's best interest, and authorize the City Manager and City Attorney to negotiate an agreement(s) with Axon Enterprise, Inc., for purchase of Officer Safety Plan subscriptions and a la carte products and services including: BWCs, conducted electrical weapons, a video evidence management and distribution platform, interview room hardware and software, and related equipment and services, for the purpose of standardizing the Axon Enterprise, Inc. solution; and further authorize the City Manager and City Clerk to execute an agreement(s) with Axon Enterprise, Inc. upon conclusion of successful negotiations, in the not to exceed amount appropriated annually for these products and services through the City's budget process.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2019.

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Dan Gelber, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO  
FORM & LANGUAGE  
& FOR EXECUTION

Rafael E. Granado      7/2/19  
City Attorney      Date  
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