

September 19, 2006

Honorable Mayor and Members of  
The Hermosa Beach City Council

Regular meeting of  
September 26, 2006

## **REQUEST TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF POLICE EQUIPMENT**

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that City Council:

1. Appropriate \$14,731 from the Citizen's Option for Public Safety (COPS) program to purchase thirty-four (34) TASER Cam Audio/Video digital recording devices.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The TASER Cam audio/video digital recording device is a digital camera and digital audio recorder which attaches to the battery in the pistol grip handle of the TASER. The TASER is an electronic control device intended to be used as a non-lethal means of controlling violent and potentially violent subjects without harm to themselves or others. The police department currently fields thirty-nine of these devices. Four of the devices are equipped with TASER Cam and are being tested by the officers assigned to the downtown foot patrol. These four devices have performed up to our expectations.

When the TASER is removed from the officer's holster and the power switch is activated the camera/audio recording device automatically starts recording. The video is oriented in the same direction as the laser sighting system. The audio recording is multidirectional.

This device will provide an excellent record of a suspect's behavior and actions prior to the actual deployment of the TASER. This information will be invaluable in both criminal and civil cases.

The TASER Cam will also record the number of times the TASER is removed from the holster, powered up, pointed at the suspect but is not deployed. We currently have no record of the number of times the officers display the TASER and do not deploy it because the suspect complies with their orders. This information will demonstrate our officer's restraint and should provide exculpatory evidence in use-of-force litigations including those not directly involving the TASER.

Pro-Force is the only distributor of TASER products in the state of California.

### **ANALYSIS:**

This item was chosen for purchase because it truly enhances the capabilities of the Hermosa Beach Police Department to deliver service to the citizens of Hermosa Beach. Also, it has the added benefit of helping to provide exculpatory evidence in future civil trials wherein police employees are accused of wrongdoing.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Funds are available for appropriation in the COPS Fund, which may only be used for law enforcement purposes.

Respectfully submitted,



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Concur:

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# PROFORCE LAW ENFORCEMENT

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### Taser X26E Department Pricing for California

Model	Product Description	Unit Price	Quantity	Extended Amount
<b>X26E w/Digital Power Magazine (DPM)</b>				
26001	X26E Black / Black grip plates w/ eXoskeleton holster	799.95		0.00
26014	X26E Black / Black grip plates w/ Blade-Tech® Tek-Lok® holster	799.95		0.00
26005	X26E Yellow / Black grip plates w/ eXoskeleton holster	799.95		0.00
26023	X26E Yellow / Black grip plates w/ Blade-Tech® Tek-Lok® holster	799.95		0.00
26003	X26E Clear / Black grip plates w/ eXoskeleton holster	799.95		0.00
26017	X26E Clear / Black grip plates w/ Blade-Tech® Tek-Lok® holster	799.95		0.00
<b>X26E w/Extended Digital Power Magazine (XDPM)</b>				
26016	X26E Black / Black grip plates w/ eXoskeleton holster	804.95		0.00
26015	X26E Black / Black grip plates w/ Blade-Tech® Tek-Lok® holster	804.95		0.00
26025	X26E Yellow / Black grip plates w/ eXoskeleton holster	804.95		0.00
26024	X26E Yellow / Black grip plates w/ Blade-Tech® Tek-Lok® holster	804.95		0.00
26019	X26E Clear / Black grip plates w/ eXoskeleton holster	804.95		0.00
26018	X26E Clear / Black grip plates w/ Blade-Tech® Tek-Lok® holster	804.95		0.00
<b>Air Cartridges</b>				
34200	15ft Yellow Blast Door / Training Use	16.75		0.00
44200	21ft Silver Blast Door / Field Use	18.75		0.00
44203	25ft XP (Extra Penetration) *Green Blast Door / Field Use	21.75		0.00
44206	35ft XP Non-Reversible / Orange Blast Door / Tactical Field Use	24.75		0.00
44205	21ft Non-Conductive Simulation Blue/Blue Blast Door / Training Use	17.75		0.00
<b>Holsters</b>				
26800	Exoskeleton holster *Rt Hand	39.95		0.00
26801	Exoskeleton holster *Lt Hand	39.95		0.00
44952	Blade-Tech® Tek-Lok® holster *Rt Hand	39.95		0.00
44953	Blade-Tech® Tek-Lok® holster *Lt Hand	39.95		0.00
44920	Blade-Tech® Thigh holster w/ Dual Cartridge holder *Rt Hand	69.95		0.00
44921	Blade-Tech® Thigh holster w/ Dual Cartridge holder *Lt Hand	69.95		0.00
44933	Blade-Tech® Single Cartridge Pouch Attachment to Blade-Tech® hlsters	19.95		0.00
44934	Blade-Tech® Single Cartridge Pouch w/ Tek-Lok® Belt Attachment Clip	19.95		0.00
44935	Blade-Tech® Dual Cartridge Pouch w/ Tek-Lok® Belt Attachment Clip	29.95		0.00
26899	Tek-Lok® Belt Attachment Clip Blade-Tech® and eXoskeleton holsters	8.95		0.00
26802	Dual Cartridge holder w/o Tek-Lok® Belt Attachment Clip	19.95		0.00
THATBR	X26E Holster Ambidextrous Thigh/Belt Rig w/Double Cartridge Holder	49.99		0.00
<b>Batteries DPM / XDPM</b>				
26700	DPM - Digital Power Magazine *195 5-second firings at room temp	29.95		0.00
26701	XDPM - Extended Digital Power Magazine *195 5-sec firings room temp	34.95		0.00
<b>Extended Warranty Batteries DPM / XDPM</b>				
26711	DPM w/ One year extended warranty	79.95		0.00
26714	DPM w/ Four year extended warranty	174.95		0.00
26721	XDPM w/ One year extended warranty	84.95		0.00
26724	XDPM w/ Four year extended warranty	179.95		0.00
<b>Accessories</b>				
26750	TASER Cam™ Audio/Video recording for enhanced accountability	399.95	34	13,598.30
26500	X26E USB Dataport Download Kit *Windowscompatible	149.95		0.00
80002	Practice Target *Single Target / Training Use	6.95		0.00
85002	M26/X26 Maintenance and Cleaning Kit	59.95		0.00
85000	Air Cartridge w/ alligator clips *Training Use	45.00		0.00
44550	TASER® Simulation Training Suit. New and improved	425.00		0.00
<b>MERCHANDISE TOTAL</b>				<b>13,598.30</b>
<b>HANDLING</b>				<b>9.95</b>
<b>SALES TAX</b>				<b>8.25%</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>				<b>1,122.68</b>
				<b>14,730.93</b>

This quote is valid for 45 days from the date of issue, and subject to our inventories, manufacturer's availability and price change. Please call to receive price update upon expiration.

Ordering instructions: Please fax a copy of the department purchase order to (714) 257-9076. Please mail originals to ProForce 655-H North Berry St., Brea, CA 92821.