



# Axon Contracts Briefing

**Department of Public Safety**  
Health & Safety Committee 11.19.25

# Action Items Upcoming

**Item 1:** Requests amendment adding \$450,000.00 to SAFTY-2025054764-02

- New Max Spend: \$22,547,650
- Term: 07/01/2015 – 12/15/2025

**Item 2:** Requests approval of SAFTY-202581688

- Max Spend: \$27,000,000
- Term: 01/01/2026 – 12/31/2030

# Axon-related Budget Hearing Follow up Questions

**(DSD) Question:** Why is the Axon contract projected to cost \$500k more?

**(DPD) Question:** Why is there a \$1m increase to the cost of the Axon contract?

**(DPD) Question:** On the budget expansion presentation slide 19 there is 1 million allocated for new body worn cameras and tasers. How long have we had the previous generation of tech, and how long are the new ones expected to last for?

**(DPD) Question:** Where is the Axon contract reflected in the 2026 budget and to what dollar amounts?

# Axon / Department of Safety Contract Scope

Contract Term	07/01/15 - 12/15/25
Max Spend	\$ 22,097,650
Needed Capacity	\$450,000

## Current Contract

- Includes Police, Sheriff
- Combination of Hardware, Software, and Professional Services
- Body Worn Camera tech, TASERS and associated/required training (some limitations), Interview Room technology, and limited Digital Evidence Management

# Current Contract: Basis for Amendment

The Sheriff Department budgeted for and has funds available to pay remaining contract invoices – this request is an administrative amendment to increase the max spend capacity on the contract itself so invoices can be paid against it

- Need for additional BWCs and licenses due to requirements of CRS 24-31-902 (Law Enforcement Integrity Act) and increasing staffing levels at DSD
- Expansions of use: DFD Arson Investigators, Street Engagement Team (SET), non-Safety reliance on contract vehicle
- Accessory items that were not priced into the max spend (single bay docking stations, Taser training cartridges)

# Current Contract: Background

- Pricing structure was designed for lower up-front payments that scaled higher each year due to COVID recovery and fiscal uncertainty faced in 2020
- Lessons learned have been incorporated into new contract structure:
  - Flat annual pricing
  - Inclusion of needed accessories, updated equipment, and license amounts for set pricing
  - Unlimited digital evidence storage to support integration with prosecuting agencies

# Summary of Contract Spend 2021-2025

<b>AXON - Contractual Obligated</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Axon Contractual Agreement for DPD	\$1,536,561	\$1,500,000	\$2,940,035	\$2,940,035	\$2,940,035	\$11,856,665
Axon Contractual Agreement for DSD	\$216,159	\$777,361	\$775,335	\$592,740	\$592,740	\$2,954,335
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,752,720</b>	<b>\$2,277,361</b>	<b>\$3,715,370</b>	<b>\$3,532,775</b>	<b>\$3,532,775</b>	<b>\$14,810,999</b>

<b>AGENCY ACTUAL SPEND BY YEAR</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Office of the Municipal Public Defender	\$9,360	\$13,000	\$13,000	\$3,640		\$39,000
Police Department	\$1,536,561	\$1,506,260	\$2,915,949	\$2,956,909	\$2,940,035	\$11,855,713
Sheriff Department	\$490,028	\$968,024	\$758,710	\$307,811		\$2,524,573
Fire Department			\$20,149		\$8,413	\$28,562
Street Engagement Team			\$23,965		\$17,549	\$41,515
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,037,970</b>	<b>\$2,489,306</b>	<b>\$3,733,796</b>	<b>\$3,270,384</b>	<b>\$2,968,022</b>	<b>\$14,489,363</b>

# Axon / Department of Safety Contract Scope



Contract Term:	01/01/2026 - 12/31/2030
Max Spend:	\$27,000,000.00

## New Contract

- Includes Police, Sheriff, Fire
- Combination of Hardware, Software, and Professional Services
- Body Worn Camera tech, TASERs and associated / required training,
- Interview Room technology, and Centralized Digital Evidence Management



# New Contract: Background

- Leveraged national competitive purchasing process through National Association of State Procurement Officials (NASPO) for the new contract due to staff capacity and anticipated length of time to complete a Denver-based process
- D.R.M.C. Sec. 20-64.5 authorizes utilization of *“any general bid or purchase contracts of the United States Government, State of Colorado, or other governmental jurisdictions reflective of the same price structures, scopes of work and deliverables of that purchase contract”*
- Given current financial constraints, the new contract covers basic needs and requirements only

# Contract Cost Comparison

Deliverable	2020-2025 Baseline	2026-2030 Baseline	Δ (#)	Δ (\$)
Police BWC	1670	1725	55	\$258,000.00
Sheriff BWC	640	730	90	\$394,200.00
Fire BWC	0	12	12	\$50,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2310</b>	<b>2455</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>\$702,200.00</b>
Police Single Bay Docks	0	1725	1725	<b>\$934,425.00</b>
Police Taser	1000	1450	450	\$2,339,820.00
Sheriff Taser	0	400	400	\$2,924,775.00
Fire Taser	0	0	0	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>1850</b>	<b>850</b>	<b>\$5,264,595.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>\$6,901,220.00</b>

# Denver Police Department

## \$20,080,878.10

### Body-Worn Cameras / Charging Docks, Digital Evidence Management/ unlimited storage, Community Engagement

- **Unlimited Third-Party Storage** allows DPD to upload and store an unlimited amount of media during the term regardless of source - this includes witness video, large files from Cell Phone extractions, video from city cameras, high resolution crime scene photos, etc.
- Currently media is stored across dozens of servers and databases making it challenging for investigators to find and organize digital evidence.
- Currently utilizing over 135 Terabytes of digital evidence on Axon Evidence

- **Axon Body 4** - qty 1,725
- **Docking stations for each district**
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- **Warranty and upgrades for all hardware and software**  
Digital evidence management through Axon Evidence  
Unlimited device storage
- **Community Request:** Launch public portals from Axon Evidence or a mobile phone to collect digital evidence submissions from members of the public. Streamlines evidence collection and maintains evidence chain of custody.

## Interview Room Hardware and Software for 13 Rooms - Currently Utilizing Older Hardware and Software

- **Axon Interview Room** captures and manages secure interviews. Combines high-definition cameras, microphones - Recordings and metadata automatically upload to Axon Evidence for case management, long-term storage, and sharing with Denver DA.
- Denver District Attorney has standardized on Axon Evidence to make it easier to collaborate and receive digital evidence from DPD and DSD.

## TASER 10 - Qty of 1,450

- TASER 10 is designed to give officers the confidence to de-escalate dangerous situations with new components, technology, and features. (currently utilizing TASER7).
- Provides better training through effective virtual reality and live firing scenarios.
- Provides detailed insights to inform better policy, training, and transparency.
- Program / cost includes all hardware, software, and training for 5 years.

# Denver Sheriff's Department

## **\$6,183,432.14**

### Body-Worn Cameras with Charging Docks / Digital Evidence Management / Unlimited Device Storage

- **Axon Body 4** - (Currently utilizing Axon Body 3) - qty 730
- Digital evidence management through Axon Evidence
- Unlimited device storage
- **Docking stations for each unit**
- **Warranty and upgrades for all hardware and software included**

## TASER 10 Certification - Qty of 400 for 730 users

- Sheriff is currently utilizing 20 yr old TASER technology, lacks reliability, effectiveness, and accountability consistent with today's policing and jail standards.
- Provides better training through effective virtual reality and live firing scenarios.
- Provides better data to improve training and de-escalation.
- Program / cost includes all hardware, software, and training for 5 years.



# Denver Fire Department

## **\$45,524.48**

### Body-Worn Cameras with Charging Docks / Digital Evidence Management / storage

- Currently utilizing Axon Body 3 - qty 12
- Digital evidence management through Axon Evidence
- Unlimited device storage

# Next Steps

## Council Process Underway

- Council 1:1 briefings ongoing
- Resolution Requests filed
- Return to Health & Safety 12/03/25 as Action Item



# Questions?