

# CITY OF HIGH POINT

## AGENDA ITEM



### **Title: Vehicle Camera Purchase**

**From:** Kenneth J. Shultz, Chief of Police

**Meeting Date:** May 1, 2017

**Public Hearing:** N/A

**Advertising Date /  
Advertised By:** N/A

**Attachments:** Yes

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### **PURPOSE:**

Council Approval of Grant Program

### **BACKGROUND:**

The High Point Police Department is requesting permission to purchase eight (8) in-car cameras. Funding from the Federal Asset Forfeiter Program will be utilized for this purchase. The High Point Police Department needs cameras for eight new patrol cars and requests approval from the City Council to obtain these from WatchGuard. The Police Department currently utilizes WatchGuard Vista HD in-car cameras and we have been very pleased with their performance to date. Furthermore, currently owned software and antenna retrieval systems for wireless downloads only support this product and thereby make purchasing from this company the most cost effective.

The cameras, which capture both video and audio recordings, enhance officer's safety, improves accountability, simplifies incident review, enhances officer training, improves community perception, strengthens police leadership, advances prosecution and case resolution, enhances officer performance and professionalism and in the worst cases can speak for an officer when the officer is incapacitated.

The addition of the new in-car cameras will allow us to install the equipment on new patrol cars and help us continue to work towards the objective of having cameras on all first responder vehicles. Some will also be used to replace and update existing camera systems that have reached the end of their useful life span.

These camera systems include two cameras, wireless microphones and a secure storage system that allows for wireless downloads of data when cars pull onto the police department parking lot.

### **BUDGET IMPACT:**

Funding will be obtained through the Federal Asset Forfeiture program and monies the Police Department has received.

### **RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:**

The Police Department requests Council's approval to purchase in-car camera equipment from WatchGuard.



Financial Services  
Purchasing Division



Requisition # 16005

**CITY OF HIGH POINT**  
**SOLE SOURCE JUSTIFICATION**  
**FORM** (For Items Costing \$500.00 or More)  
Statutory Reference N.C.G.S. 143-129(e)6

Vendor: WATCHGUARD

Item(s): IN-CAR CAMERAS

Justification:

Watchguard in-car cameras are currently being used within the High Point Police Department. The HPPD is requesting to continue to purchase the Watchguard cameras to continue to have standardization within the department.

Estimated expenditure for the above item(s): 45,818.00

CHECK ALL ENTRIES BELOW THAT APPLY TO THE PROPOSED PURCHASE.  
ATTACH A MEMO CONTAINING JUSTIFICATION AND SUPPORT DOCUMENTATION.

1. ☐ Performance or price competition for a product are not available.
2. ☐ A needed product is available from only one source of supply.
3. ☒ Standardization or compatibility is the overriding consideration.
4. ☒ The parts/equipment are required from this source to permit standardization.
5. ☐ None of the above applies. A detailed explanation and justification for this sole source request is contained in attached memo and support documentation.

The undersigned requests that competitive procurement be waived and that the vendor identified as the supplier of the material or service described in this sole source justification be authorized as a sole source for the material or service.

Department Head/Authorized Personnel

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Department/Division Police

Date 4/7/2017

Approval Process

Under \$5,000 (Purchasing Manager)

\$5,000-\$30,000 (Financial Services Director)

\$30,000 – Up (City Council)

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