

# FORSYTH COUNTY

## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: JUNE 27, 2013

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 12

**SUBJECT:**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF TASERS AND TASER CAMERA SYSTEMS UNDER AN EXCEPTION TO THE BIDDING LAWS CODIFIED IN N.C.G.S. 143-129(e)(6) AND AWARDING A CONTRACT TO LAWMEN'S SAFETY SUPPLY, INC., THE ONLY AUTHORIZED DEALER FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT TASERS IN NORTH CAROLINA (SHERIFF'S OFFICE)**

**COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION OR COMMENTS:-** Recommend Approval

**SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:**

See attached

ATTACHMENTS:  YES  NO

SIGNATURE: *J. Dudley Claitor, Jr.*

COUNTY MANAGER

DATE: June 27, 2013

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FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT TASERS IN NORTH CAROLINA  
(SHERIFF'S OFFICE)**

**WHEREAS**, the Forsyth County Sheriff's Office needs to purchase one hundred (100) Tasers and Taser Camera Systems to replace equipment that has reached the end of its useful life; and

**WHEREAS**, the new equipment must be compatible with the current equipment and system operated by the Sheriff's Office and is available from only one source of supply, since Lawmen's Safety Supply, Inc. is the only authorized dealer for law enforcement Tasers in the State of North Carolina, therefore performance or price competition for the needed equipment is not available; and

**WHEREAS**, N.C.G.S. 143-129(e)(6) provides that the bidding procedures shall not apply to purchases of apparatus, supplies, materials, or equipment when: (i) performance or price competition for a product are not available; (ii) a needed product is available from only one source of supply; or (iii) standardization or compatibility is the overriding consideration; and

**WHEREAS**, N.C.G.S. 143-129(e)(6) further requires the governing board of a political subdivision of the State to approve purchases under the above provisions prior to the award of the contract;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the purchase of one hundred (100) Tasers and Taser Camera Systems for use by the Sheriff's Office under the exception to the bidding laws as provided and authorized by N.C.G.S. 143-129(e)(6).

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners hereby awards a contract to Lawmen's Safety Supply, Inc., in the amount of \$203,113.75 for the purchase of one hundred (100) Tasers and Taser Camera Systems for use by the Sheriff's Office with its current equipment and system.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners that the Chairman or the County Manager and the Clerk to the Board are hereby authorized to execute, on behalf of Forsyth County, a contract with Lawmen's Safety Supply, Inc., to purchase the equipment described herein, subject to a preaudit certificate thereon by the Chief Financial Officer, if applicable, and approval as to form and legality by the County Attorney.

Adopted this the 27<sup>th</sup> day of June 2013.



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June 12, 2013

To Whom It May Concern;

This letter is to confirm that the local or regional distributor for TASER International, Inc. (TASER International), identified below, is the sole source distributor of the following products manufactured by TASER International:

- TASER® X26™ electronic control devices (ECDs), Models: 26511, 26523, 26517, 26011, 26014, 26026, 26023, 26020, 26017, 26311, 26314, 26326, 26323, 26320, 26317, 26512, 26524, 26518, 26012, 26015, 26027, 26024, 26021, 26018, 26312, 26315, 26327, 26324, 26321, 26318.
- ADVANCED TASER® M26™ ECDs, Models: 44000 and 44005.
- X3™ ECD, Models: 33200 and 33201
- TASER CAM™ recorder, Models: 26750 (full video and audio) and 26753 (full video and **NO** audio). This accessory item can be downloaded by USB TASER CAM Download Kit Model 26737.
- TASER XREP™ electrified projectile, Models: 50002, and 50005. The XREP projectiles may be fired from a TASER™ X12™ Less Lethal Shotgun (LLS). The X12 LLS is manufactured and sold by Mossberg.
- TRAD Shockwave™ security system, Models: 90012, 90011, 90013, and 90010. The Shockwave security system runs off of a Shockwave Power Magazine (SPM) model number 90007.
- Controlled Digital Power Magazine (CDPM™) battery pack, Models: 26702 and 26703.
- TASER® cartridges: 15-foot cartridges, Model 34200; and the 21-foot, 25-foot, and 35-foot cartridges, Models 44200, 44203, 44205, 44206. The cartridges are required for the X26 ECD, M26 ECD and Shockwave to function in the probe deployment mode.
- TASER® Smart Cartridges™: 15-foot cartridges, Model 33101; and the 25-foot, and 35-foot cartridges, Models 33100, 33101, 33102, 33103, 33104. The cartridges are required for the X3 ECD to function in the probe deployment mode.

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**The Sole Authorized Police Distributor for North Carolina is:**

**Lawmen's Safety Supply Inc.**

**3319 Anvil Drive**

**Raleigh, NC. 27603**

**1-919-779-6141 Phone**

**1-919-662-1573 Fax**

There is no other authorized repair facility for TASER brand products other than the one listed below:

TASER International, Inc.

17800 N. 85<sup>th</sup> Street

Scottsdale, AZ 85255-9603

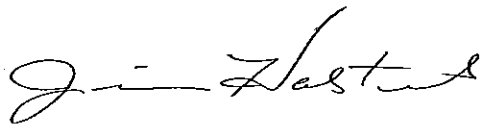
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1-480-991-0791 Fax

Please contact us at 1-800-978-2737 with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jim Halsted". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "J".

Jim Halsted  
Vice President, LE Sales  
TASER International, Inc.