

**CITY OF COLUMBUS  
BID WAIVER INFORMATION FORM**

TO ACCOMPANY LEGISLATION WHICH WAIVES ANY PROVISIONS OF COLUMBUS CITY CODES CHAPTER 329  
(PLEASE LIMIT YOUR RESPONSE TO THIS SHEET)

1. Reasons for waiving City Code bid procedure:

- emergency breakdown causing unplanned need
- item to be purchased is of a perishable nature
- need to extend an existing contract
- there is not enough time to obtain formal bids to satisfy need
- non-price error on either the bidder's or the City's part in the bid proposal
- a new law or regulation requires immediate compliance
- other \_\_\_\_\_

2. Detailed explanation of reason (must be completed by division):

The Division of Police asserts that the only Conductive Electrical Weapon (CEW) manufactured by Taser International Inc., is acceptable due to street use, training, certification, and re-certification required for all police officers. Switching to another product that has been tested by the Division's training personnel would be too costly to purchase the product that is not suitable for the division's needs. A survey among major cities in the US and Canada showed that the only (CEW) used is the (CEW) manufactured by Taser International. Another factor that is a concern is that the Karbon Arms taser has not been medically proven to be as safe as the Taser International's product.

3. Informal procedure used:

- telephone quotations
- written quotations
- Negotiations

4. Informal bids received and prices for each:

5. If lowest bid was not accepted, explain criteria for award:

See explanation in Section # 2.

ORDINANCE #:

APPROVED BY:

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*Authorized Approval on Corresponding Legislative File*

DATE: