

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 and 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):

As of January 1, 2006, all of the warranties on the Division's X26 tasers expired. Absent the warranty, it now costs the Division \$350.00 per taser to send it in to Taser International for service through the only authorized dealer, Vance's Shooter Supply. The X26 taser is an electrical device similar to a cell phone with many parts and pieces that can be damaged. It has an expected life expectancy estimated at five years. On April 17, the Division sent 10 tasers for repair and was advised it would cost the \$3,500 for the repairs. Sgt. Brian Bruce contact Taser International to discuss a possible extended warranty on our tasers pending this request and approval. Taser International has graciously agreed to extend our warranties until the final disposition of this request.

Purchasing this service agreement is vital to maintaining the current inventory of tasers and will have significant cost savings to the Division of Police over the next four years.

3. Informal procedure used:

- telephone quotations
- written quotations
- negotiations

Informal bids received and prices for each:

The extended warranty plan costs \$171.95 per taser for a four year period. This extended warranty would cover our tasers for repair and replacement until January 2010. In the past year, the Division has sent approximately 60 tasers back to Taser International for repair/replacement.

Without the extended warranty, the costs of the past year would have been \$21,000.00 (60 x \$350.00). Multiplying this number by the four year period, addressed above, the warranty will cover could cost the Division:

2006-2007	60 Tasers X \$450.00 (2years in service)	=	\$ 27,000.00
2007-2008	60 Tasers X \$550.00 (3years in service)	=	\$ 33,000.00
2008-2009	60 Tasers X \$650.00 (4 years in service)	=	\$ 39,000.00

2009-2010 60 Tasers X \$800.00 (5 years in service) = \$ 48,000.00

Total Without Warrant Based Upon 60 Repairs Annually: \$ 147,000.00

The extended warranty plan through Taser International costs \$171.95 per taser and has a total cost of \$35,249.75.

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

Not Applicable

ORDINANCE #:

APPROVED

Authorized Approval on Corresponding Legislative File

BY:

DATE:
