



## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** This ordinance authorizes a contract for the purchase of Conducted Electrical Weapons (CEWs) supplies from Vance's Outdoor Inc., for the Division of Police in the amount of \$225,438.70. The Department of Public Safety, Division of Police needs to establish a contract for the purchase of replacement CEWs ancillary supplies and holsters. The Division of Police believes that only the CEW manufactured by Taser International Inc., is acceptable due to street use, training, certification, and re-certification required for all police officers. There is only one supplier in the Ohio area authorized to sell CEWs cartridges, warranty and accessories. Taser International has stated that the only authorized dealer in Ohio is Vance's Outdoors Inc. This purchase by the City of Columbus is from a State of Ohio contract which is authorized by Ordinance 582-87 that allows for the cooperative purchasing between the State of Ohio Department of Administrative Services Cooperative Contracts and other government entities.

This ordinance also appropriates additional funds in the Law Enforcement Seizure Fund.

This company is not debarred according to the Federal excluded parties listing or prohibited from being awarded a contract according to the Auditor of State unresolved findings for recovery certified search.

**Bid Information:** A State of Ohio Term Contract exists for this purchase, Index #GDC008 Contract #RS900313

**Emergency Designation:** Emergency legislation is requested to replenish current CEW training cartridges as soon as possible for on-going training exercises.

Contract Compliance Number: 54-2072038, expires 10/28/2017

**FISCAL IMPACT:** This ordinance authorizes an expenditure of \$194,00.00 from the General Funds and \$31,438.70 from the State Law Enforcement Seizure Funds for the purchase of (CEW) supplies, and holsters from Vance Outdoors Inc. The Division spent \$250,000.00 in 2015 for replacements and supplies. Funds have been budgeted in the General Funds for this purchase.

To authorize the Director of Finance and Management to enter into a contract for the purchase of Conducted Electrical supplies (CEWs), CEW cartridges, and CEW holsters with Vance's Outdoors Inc. for the Division of Police from a State of Ohio Term Contract, to authorize an appropriation in the Law Enforcement Seizure Fund, to authorize the expenditure of \$225,438.70 from the Law Enforcement Seizure and General Funds; and to declare an emergency. (\$225,438.70)

**WHEREAS,** the Division of Police needs to purchase (CEWs) supplies and purchase (CEW) cartridges and holsters; and

**WHEREAS,** Vance's Outdoors Inc. is the only authorized dealer in Ohio for Taser International; and

**WHEREAS,** an appropriation is necessary in the Law Enforcement Seizure Funds for this purchase; and

**WHEREAS,** a State of Ohio Term Contract established by the State of Ohio, Department of Administrative services Purchasing Office exists for these purchases; and

**WHEREAS,** an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Division of Police, Department of Public Safety, in

that it is immediately necessary to enter into contract for the purchase of (CEW) cartridges, and (CEW) holsters to maintain the supply, thereby preserving the public peace, property, health, safety and welfare; now, therefore

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:**

**SECTION 1.** That the Finance and Management Director be and is hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract with Vance's Outdoors Inc. for the option to purchase Conducted Electrical Supplies (CEWs), CEW cartridges, and CEW holsters in accordance with the existing State of Ohio Term Contract (Index #GDC008 Contract #RS900313) established by the State of Ohio Purchasing Office with Vances's Outdoors, the purchase from which was authorized by Ordinance 582-87.

**SECTION 2.** That an appropriation of \$31,438.70 is needed in Fund 2219 Law Enforcement Seizure Fund in Object Class 02 Supplies and Materials per the accounting codes in the spreadsheet attached to this ordinance.

**SECTION 3.** That the expenditure of \$225,438.70 or so much thereof as may be needed, be and the same is hereby authorized as follows in Fund 1000 General Funds and Fund 2219 Law Enforcement Seizure Funds in Object Class 02 Supplies and Materials per the accounting codes in the spreadsheets attached to this ordinance.

**SECTION 4.** That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

**SECTION 5.** That for reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part thereof, this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from the after its passage and approval by the Mayor or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.