



## Legislation Text

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### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Jim Steele, Chairman, Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Brian L. Martin, Sheriff/Coroner

**DATE:** March 20, 2018

**SUBJECT:** (a) Waive the normal sealed bid process under Ordinance #2406, Section 38.2 as it is not in the public interest due to the unique nature of the goods; and (b) Approve to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$30,700.31 to ProForce Law Enforcement for the purchase of 25 - X26P Taser units.

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Lake County Sheriff's Department requests your Boards' approval for the purchase of 25 X-26P Taser units.

The X-26P Taser unit is an advanced non-lethal device. It uses a technology to safely incapacitate dangerous, combative or high risk subjects who pose a risk to law enforcement officers, citizens or themselves.

Tasers are designed to affect the central nervous system. The X-26 fires two probes up to a distance of 25 feet. These probes are connected to the weapon by high voltage insulated wire. An electrical signal is transmitted through the wires to where the probes make contact with the body or clothing, resulting in an immediate loss of neuromuscular control and the ability to perform coordinated action for the duration of the impulse.

Each time the X-26 is fired, it stores the time, date and duration of each discharge along with the temperature at the time of use for the last 2,000 firings. This data protects officers from claims of excessive use of force by providing complete and accurate data. When a taser is fired, it disperses AFID's (anti-felon identifications) which are unique coded tags. These tags are serial numbered and can be traced to the taser device from which it was fired.

The Sheriff's Department requests to purchase 25 X-26P Taser units at a cost of \$1,022 per unit.

This is a sole source purchase. A copy of the quote is attached. We recommend your Board waive the formal bidding process, per Ordinance #2406, Purchasing Code 38.2, making a determination that competitive bidding would produce no economic benefit to the County and authorize the Sheriff/Coroner/Assistant Purchasing Agent to issue a purchase order for procurement through ProForce Law Enforcement.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** \_\_\_ None ☒ Budgeted \_\_\_ Non-Budgeted

Estimated Cost: 30,701

Amount Budgeted:

Additional Requested:

Annual Cost (if planned for future years):

**FISCAL IMPACT (Narrative):** Funds are allocated in the Rural Sheriff's budget unit 2206 object code 38.00. There is no cost to the County.

**STAFFING IMPACT (if applicable):** N/A

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** (a) Waive the normal sealed bid process under Ordinance #2406, Section 38.2 as it is not in the public interest due to the unique nature of the goods; and (b) Approve to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$30,700.31 to ProForce Law Enforcement for the purchase of 25 - X26P Taser units.