

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, DIRECTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO INCLUDE TEN (10) ADDITIONAL AXON IN-VEHICLE, LPR-EQUIPPED CAMERAS, TO BE INSTALLED IN POLICE DEPARTMENT PATROL VEHICLES AND HAVING AN APPROXIMATE INITIAL COST OF \$50,000, AS A BUDGET PRIORITY IN THE CITY'S FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET, IN ORDER TO ENHANCE PUBLIC SAFETY THROUGH THE USE OF ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY THAT SEAMLESSLY INTEGRATES INTO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S AXON ECOSYSTEM.

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Beach ("City") is committed to ensuring the safety and security of its residents, visitors, and businesses through the effective and efficient operation of the Miami Beach Police Department ("Police Department" or "MBPD"); and

WHEREAS, to that effect, the Police Department is committed to enhancing public safety through the use of innovative technology and data-driven solutions; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department currently utilizes Axon Enterprise, Inc. ("Axon") body-worn cameras, Axon tasers, and Axon Evidence for the digital storage and archiving of police-generated (and other acquired) data and media; and

WHEREAS, these technologies, integrated under the Axon ecosystem, have significantly improved transparency, accountability, and operational efficiency within the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Commission recently adopted Resolution No. 2025-33509, directing the Police Department to explore the acquisition and implementation of the Axon FUSUS platform to support MBPD's Real-Time Intelligence Center in order to further expand the Police Department's real-time data and situational awareness capabilities; and

WHEREAS, after field-testing the technology, MBPD recently signed a contract for five (5) Axon in-vehicle cameras equipped with License Plate Recognition ("LPR") technology, representing an initial step towards deploying this advanced equipment; and

WHEREAS, the cameras, which automatically scan the license plates of vehicles within their field of view and provide prompt notification if the scanned vehicle is flagged (e.g., stolen vehicle, wanted person), will be installed in the patrol vehicles of some of the most productive MBPD officers; and

WHEREAS, expanding this initial deployment by acquiring ten (10) additional Axon LPR-equipped in-vehicle cameras will further improve MBPD's field operations; and

WHEREAS, the Axon in-vehicle, LPR-equipped cameras allow for real-time data collection and analysis, which will assist MBPD Officers through the automated identification of stolen vehicles, wanted individuals, and other criminal activity; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Axon in-vehicle cameras will seamlessly integrate into MBPD's existing Axon infrastructure, providing interoperability, centralized data access, and enhanced officer awareness; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition of ten (10) additional Axon in-vehicle, LPR-equipped cameras comes at an estimated initial cost of \$50,000 for the first year, along with an estimated cost of \$35,000 per year for each of the final three (3) years remaining on the current contract between the Police Department and Axon; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Commission recognize the importance of continuing to invest in state-of-the-art public safety tools and technologies and desire to prioritize this acquisition as part of the Fiscal Year 2026 City budget process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, that the Mayor and City Commission hereby direct the City Administration to include ten (10) additional Axon in-vehicle, LPR-equipped cameras, to be installed in Police Department patrol vehicles and having an approximate initial cost of \$50,000, as a budget priority in the City's Fiscal Year 2026 budget, in order to enhance public safety through the use of advanced technology that seamlessly integrates into the Police Department's Axon ecosystem.

PASSED and ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2025.

ATTEST:

Steven Meiner, Mayor

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

(Sponsored by Commissioner Laura Dominguez)

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION



City Attorney

4/14/2025

Date

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