

Legislation Text

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Resolution Authorizing the Donation of Tasers to the Petersburg Sheriff's Office

PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:

Deputy Vance Richards with the Petersburg Sheriff's Office; Petersburg, VA, contacted the Hampton Police Division regarding the possibility of obtaining any old Tasers that the police division no longer utilizes. The Petersburg Sheriff's Office is a smaller office in need of approximately 30 Tasers.

Discussion:

The Hampton Police Division currently has approximately 100 older model Tasers (X-26P) that we no longer utilize due to the upgrade by the vendor to the Taser X2 pursuant to the city's contract. Due to their nature, if not donated, the Tasers will likely ultimately be destroyed. This donation is authorized by Virginia Code Section 15.2-953 (C).

Recommendation:

Approve the Resolution.

WHEREAS, the Hampton Police Division ("HPD") has approximately 100 older model Tasers that are no longer utilized due to Axon Enterprise, Inc. providing upgraded models to HPD as required by the City's contract;

WHEREAS, the Petersburg Sheriff's Office has contacted HPD regarding the possibility of obtaining any old Tasers for use by its Sheriff's Deputies;

WHEREAS, HPD has a strong interest in maintaining close partnerships with other law enforcement agencies; and,

WHEREAS, HPD would otherwise likely destroy the older Tasers.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAMPTON, VIRGINIA as follows: That City Council hereby approves the donation of approximately 30 Tasers to the Petersburg Sheriff's Office and authorizes that City Manager to enter into any agreements necessary to effectuate that donation.