



# Seguin Police Department



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## MEMORANDUM

**TO: Mayor Donna Dodgen, City Council Members, City Manager Parker**

**FROM: Marcos Martinez, Lieutenant**

**REF: Justification for asset disposal – Watchguard systems**

**DATE: August 21, 2025**

In 2024, the Seguin Police Department transitioned from the Watchguard 4RE and Vista body camera system to the Axon ecosystem of products. The department had originally implemented the Watchguard system in 2016 as a replacement for the previous in-car video and body camera solutions. The Watchguard system was gradually phased in alongside new vehicle leases through 2023.

Over time, the Watchguard system presented significant challenges. Its reliance on physical servers and the frequent need for direct troubleshooting by City of Seguin IT staff made the system increasingly inefficient. These operational difficulties, along with outdated technology, led to the department's adoption of the Axon system—offering enhanced equipment capabilities and streamlined support.

Currently, the department's remaining Watchguard equipment ranges in condition from functional to non-functional and is now considered obsolete for operational use. Equipment includes:

- 4RE In-Car Video Systems
- Vista Body Cameras
- Associated components and accessories

All equipment has been securely wiped in accordance with Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) standards and reset to factory settings by the City of Seguin IT Department.

### Proposed Disposition of Equipment

If approved, the department requests authorization to auction the complete inventory of Watchguard equipment on GovDeals, a government surplus auction platform, by October of the next fiscal budget year. Due to the quantity and variety of components, the department recommends the auction be conducted in bulk with the following reserve pricing:

- First-Tier Reserve Price: \$10,000.00

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- Second-Tier Reserve Price: \$5,000.00

## Use of Proceeds

The department further proposes that all revenue generated from the auction be applied toward offsetting the annual payment for the current Axon equipment contract, thereby reducing the financial impact on the department's operating budget.

## Attachments:

1. Overview Watchguard Decommission Auction Inventory
2. Parts List Watchguard Decommission Auction Inventory
3. Disposal of Asset Form- PD Watchguard Parts

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