

# **City of Denton**

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#### AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

**DEPARTMENT:** Procurement

ACM: Cassey Ogden

**DATE:** November 14, 2023

# **SUBJECT**

Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the approval of a second amendment to a contract between the City of Denton and Lexipol, LLC, amending the contract approved by the City Council on May 12, 2020, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$131,571.00; amended by Amendment 1 approved by Purchasing; said second amendment for the customized policy management, update, and training solutions for the Police Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (File 7279 – providing for an additional second amendment expenditure amount not-to-exceed \$79,000.00, with the total contract amount not-to-exceed \$243,246.32).

# STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

This action supports Key Focus Area: Support Healthy and Safe Communities.

# **INFORMATION/BACKGROUND**

Lexipol is a web-based platform to manage and maintain an agency's policies. Lexipol's unique solution provides guidance on Public Safety best practices and updates policies regularly to reflect legal updates that impact how our officers operate. Lexipol's base policies are vetted thoroughly by a team of Public Safety experts and lawyers to ensure legally sound policies are provided. Furthermore, the policies are customized to the specific state of the agency utilizing the service. Before Lexipol, the Denton Police was operating under outdated general orders in need of significant revision. Lexipol provides the framework in which to customize our policies and ensures we are operating under the most up-to-date laws. The cost savings associated with Lexipol is enormous. These savings can be seen in the following:

• A team of officers would be needed to research, vet, and revise policies. With Lexipol, this system can be managed, and the policies completed by one trained officer. This helps the department to keep public safety personnel staffed on the street rather than tied up in administrative jobs.

• The policies are updated regularly by Lexipol. A tremendous amount of resources and time are saved by having the Lexipol staff, comprised of Public Safety experts and attorneys, ensure that the legal updates are addressed. The likelihood of new legislation not being addressed in policy goes up exponentially when there is not an experienced team in place to vet them.

• By keeping Denton Police policies updated, our public safety personnel are educated and bring that knowledge to their service to our community. Legally sound policies protect the City from liability. A

five (5) year post-Lexipol implementation study showed a reduction in the number of litigated claims and claims paid out.

Lexipol provides enhanced accountability by requiring each employee to acknowledge policies and reports can be run by administrators to track those acknowledgments. An easy-to-use app makes the policies accessible to officers on the street. In addition to these benefits, Lexipol has daily training bulletins to reinforce the content of the policies. Its daily training bulletin keeps policies at the forefront of our employees' minds and helps them to learn how to operate under them. Before Lexipol, Denton PD was operating under 65 policies, many of which were no longer utilized or forgotten. With Lexipol, there have been over 100 policies revised and the department will end up with over 170 policies. Implementation of this solution has made a very daunting and difficult task more manageable and easily rolled out.

Due to the increase in licenses and additional modules, the department is requesting an amendment to the total contract amount.

Section 252.022 of the Local Government Code provides that procurement of sole source commodities and services are exempt from competitive bidding if over \$50,000, shall be awarded by the governing body.

# PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (Council, Boards, Commissions)

On May 12, 2020, City Council approved a contract with Lexipol, LLC, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$131,571 (Ordinance 20-908).

On December 18, 2020, purchasing approved amendment 1 with Lexipol, LLC, in the amount of \$32,675.32.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Award Amendment No. 2 with Lexipol, LLC, for the customized policy management, update, and training solutions for the Police Department, in a not-to-exceed amount of \$79,000, for a total amended contract amount of \$243,246.32.

# PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS

Lexipol, LLC Frisco, TX

# ESTIMATED SCHEDULE OF PROJECT

This contract expires on May 12, 2025.

# **FISCAL INFORMATION**

These services will be funded from the Public Safety Technology account 830003.7804. Requisition #162293 has been entered into the Purchasing software system in the amount of \$36,735.47 for Fiscal Year 2024. The total amended amount of this contract is \$243,246.32.

# **EXHIBITS**

Exhibit 1: Agenda Information Sheet Exhibit 2: Original Ordinance, Contract, and Amendment 1 Exhibit 3: Ordinance and Amendment 2

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