

RESOLUTION NO. 31-2014

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS
AUTHORIZING THE COOPERATIVE PURCHASE OF WATCHGUARD DIGITAL DASH
CAMERAS AND INTERROGATION ROOM SYSTEMS**

WHEREAS, Chapter 2 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure codifies the prohibition of bias-based policing and requires the collection of data on all self-initiated traffic stops; and

WHEREAS, the Abilene Police Department has used dash-camera systems since 2002 to meet the requirements of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure and to limit legal liability; and

WHEREAS, the current camera systems in all marked police vehicles are five years old and no longer supported by the software manufacturer; and

WHEREAS, seventy-nine new camera units are needed in Abilene Police and City Marshal vehicles and four new camera units are needed in the Abilene Police Department interrogation rooms; and

WHEREAS, after extensive testing and evaluation of multiple camera systems, a digital system sold by WatchGuard best meets the current and future needs of the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the WatchGuard camera systems are found on the HGAC cooperative purchasing listing; and

WHEREAS, cooperative purchases from HGAC meet the competitive bidding requirements of the Texas Local Government Code.

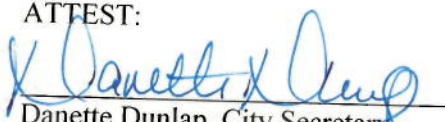
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS:

Part 1: That the Interim City Manager is hereby authorized to initiate the purchase of 79 digital dash cameras and 4 interrogation room camera systems from WatchGuard through their cooperative purchasing contract with HGAC.

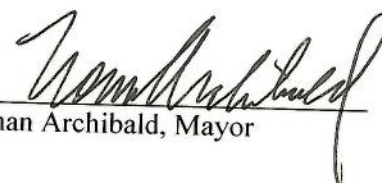
Part 2: This authorization is subject to approval of leasing options by the vendor, the City of Abilene Director of Finance, and the Interim City Manager.

ADOPTED this 4th day of December, 2014.

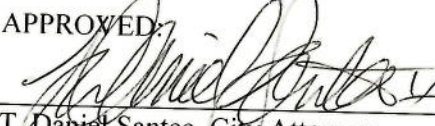
ATTEST:



Danette Dunlap, City Secretary



Norman Archibald, Mayor

APPROVED:


T. Daniel Santee, City Attorney