

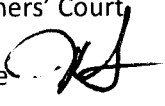


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DATE: January 6, 2010

TO: Commissioners' Court

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REF: Request to Purchase Tasers for Law Enforcement at Courthouse

This is a request from the Courthouse Security Committee for approval from the Commissioners' Court to purchase tasers for law enforcement at the Collin County Courthouse and the University Drive Courts Facility. This includes Bailiffs and Sheriff's Office Deputies that work and respond to those facilities. The purchase will cost \$62,327.00. The committee is requesting that this equipment be purchased using Courthouse Security Funds.

Law Enforcement Officers have a force continuum that goes from mere presence to deadly force. Arming our Courthouse Deputies with tasers gives these Deputies a non-deadly force choice that does not potentially harm innocent bystanders and does not require clean-up or evacuation after use. Tasers are the best choice for our courthouse situation available today.

The Collin County Sheriff's Office will provide training to those law enforcement staff that are issued tasers.

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