



City Council Workshop Agenda

November 25, 2025 at 6:30 PM

City Hall Council Chambers - 210 W 6th Ave and Virtual

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1. Swearing In Ceremony for Councilmember Brad Klippert, Position 4
 2. Discussion: AXON Contract



KENNEWICK POLICE DEPARTMENT

KENNEWICK CITY COUNCIL – AXON CONTRACT 2026-2035

November 25, 2025



Presentation Outline

- Presentation Purpose
- Public Safety Landscape
- AXON Products and Contract 2021-2026
- AXON Officer Safety Plan 10
- KPD - 2026 and Beyond
- Funding
- Questions



Presentation Purpose

- Council Priority of Public Safety
- Current AXON Contract Expiration
- 2025 Pricing – Contract Bundles
- Need for Technology – WADEPS, IA Software, Behind
- Regional Response – PPD, RPD, WRPD, BCSO
- People & Technology = Force Multiplier
- Public Safety/Officer Safety/Community Engagement



Public Safety Landscape

- Public Trust & Transparency
- De-Escalation & Less Lethal Options
- Recruitment, Retention & Officer Wellness
- Use of Technology – Assists with all the above
 - Real Time Crime Centers (RTCC's)
 - Drones as First Responders (DFR)



AXON Products/Contract 2021-2026

- Evidence.com - Digital Evidence Storage (Audio/Video/Photo)
- Taser 7
- Body Cameras – Deployed 2022
- Fleet Cameras – 2022-2023 - Patrol Vehicle Cameras Forward/Interior
- Redaction Software – 2022 - Software to assist in body camera/fleet camera redaction
- \$330,000 annual expense



AXON Officer Safety Plan 10 – 2026-2035

- AXON – Remains as the industry leader
- 10-year contract – Bundled pricing
- Evidence.com – Digital evidence management/storage
- Taser 10 – Greater range and cartridge capacity, time and distance, better effectiveness = safer officer/community outcomes
- Virtual Reality – Immersive training for decision-making and de-escalation, improves officer readiness and confidence.
- Body Camera 4 – Will utilize the AI Era Plan
- Fleet Cameras with ALPR
- Redaction Software



AXON Officer Safety Plan 10 – cont.

- AI Era Plan – AI across AXON products, Draft One, translation, & transcription
- Standards – Internal affairs software, use of force reporting, pursuit reports, WADEPS
- Fusus – RTIC platform. Integrates cameras, sensors, alerts. Allows for ease of digital evidence collection.
- Skydio Drone Nest – 3 drones, 3 bases – real-time aerial awareness, decrease response time, increase officer safety, improved efficiency's
- Dedrone – Detecting, tracking and mitigating unauthorized drones, secures public spaces, critical infrastructure, fire safety, major events
- Outpost/Lightpost Cameras (40) – both static cameras and ALPR



AXON Officer Safety Plan 10 – cont.

- My 90 – Collects community and officer feedback to identify trends and build trust. Actionable insights
- Investigate – Case, evidence, and collaboration management for detectives
- Unlimited 3rd Party Digital Storage
- Records – Records management system
- Performance – Officer performance, training, and accountability. Helps determine agency strengths and risks

Axon's evolution

1993–2010

Devices



TASER

2010–2020

Smart Devices + Workflows



TASER



Body-Worn
Cameras



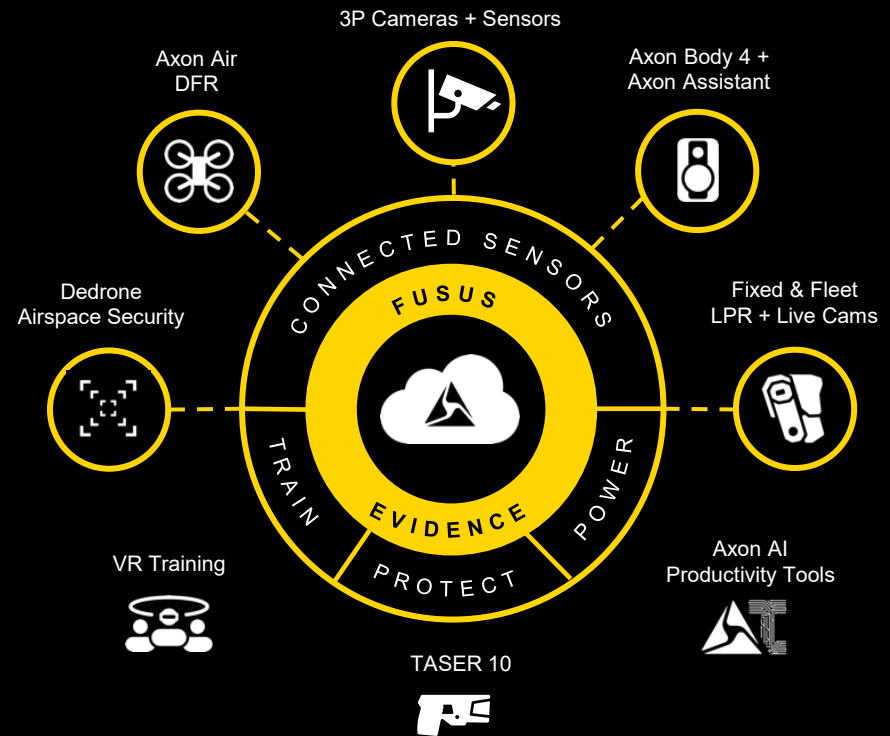
Axon Fleet



Evidence.com

2020–Present

Smart Devices + Workflows + Intelligence





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Drone as First Responder DFR Activity



Flight Year

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2025

2024

Total DFR Calls

2,078

First Responder Calls

1,635 (78.7%)

Officer Support Calls

443 (21.3%)

Officer Response Cancelled

374 (18.0%)

Arrest Assist

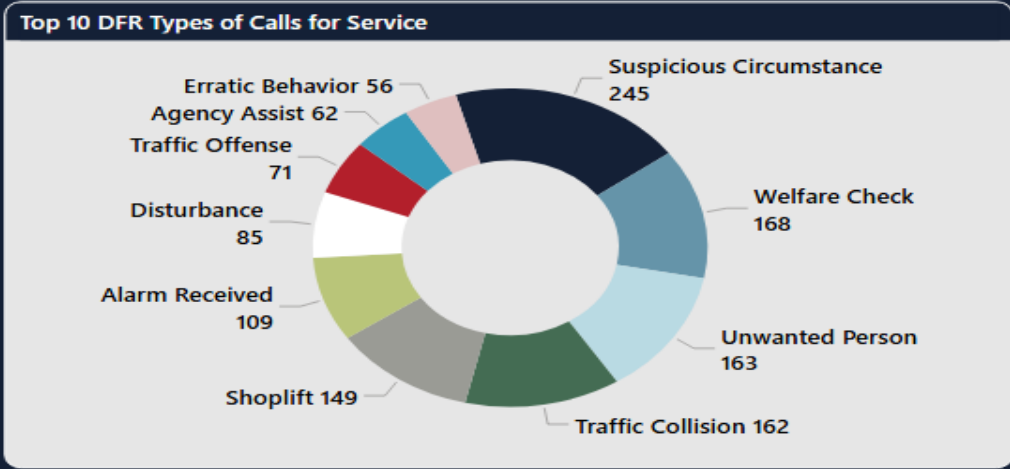
131 (6.3%)

People Located

496 (23.9%)

Objects Located

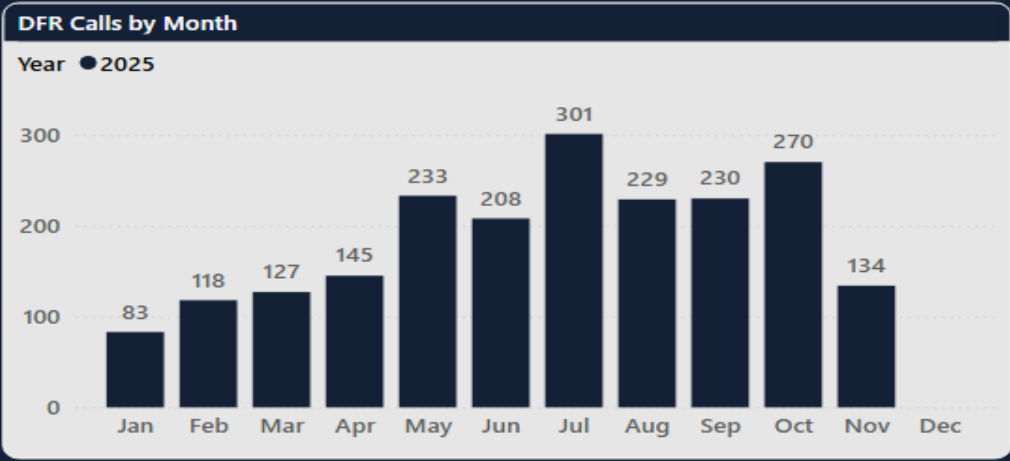
332 (16.0%)



The Redmond Police Department implemented a Drone as First Responder (DFR) program in April 2024 to respond to 911 calls. This technology improves response times and provides real-time information to patrol units on the ground.

Travel times are determined from the time the unit goes enroute to calls for service to the time the unit arrives at the scene.

[Redmond Police Department Drone Program](#)



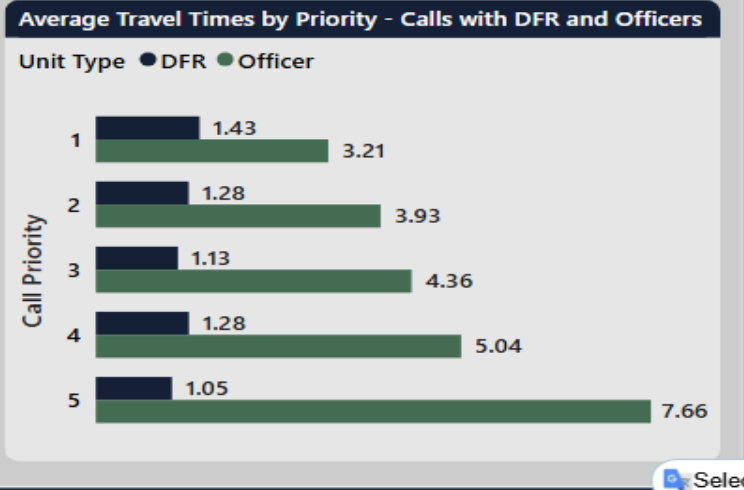
DFR Response Times

DFR Average Travel Time

1.29

DFR First on Scene

1,283 (78.5%)



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KPD – 2026 and Beyond

January – June 2026

- Training and roll out – Body Camera 4 w/AI Era Plan, Taser 10, VR, My90, Investigate, Fleet w/ALPR
- Scoping and Build – Skydio DFR, Standards, Fusus phase 1, Dedrone, Outpost/Lightpost

July – December 2026

- Deployed – Fusus phase 1, Dedrone, Skydio, Standards, Outpost/Lightpost
- Real Time Information Center (RTIC)



Finance

10-year contract with ascending payment schedule at no additional cost, sales tax included in payment schedule

Year	Original Cost	Bundle Savings	Credit	Annual Payments
2026	\$ 1,530,603	\$ (628,669)	\$ (149,396)	\$ 752,538
2027	\$ 1,591,827	\$ (653,815)	\$ -	\$ 938,012
2028	\$ 1,655,500	\$ (679,968)	\$ -	\$ 975,532
2029	\$ 1,721,720	\$ (707,167)	\$ -	\$ 1,014,553
2030	\$ 1,790,589	\$ (735,453)	\$ -	\$ 1,055,135
2031	\$ 1,862,212	\$ (764,871)	\$ -	\$ 1,097,341
2032	\$ 1,936,701	\$ (795,466)	\$ -	\$ 1,141,234
2033	\$ 2,014,169	\$ (827,285)	\$ -	\$ 1,186,884
2034	\$ 2,094,736	\$ (860,376)	\$ -	\$ 1,234,359
2035	\$ 2,178,525	\$ (894,791)	\$ -	\$ 1,283,734
Total	\$ 18,376,580	\$ (7,547,862)	\$ (149,396)	\$ 10,679,322



Finance – cont.

- Recommend funding the Axon contract through the optional sales tax from the Capital Improvement Program (CIP).
- In 2024, Council approved additional flexibility for the use of the optional sales tax in the CIP to allow for the partial reallocation of funds for technology services in the Operating Fund.
- With the implementation of the new Transportation Benefit District, this allows for the partial reallocation of funds that were initially used in the CIP to fund pavement preservation.



Finance – cont.

CIP Estimated Optional Sales Tax Revenue and Fund Balance through 2030

	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
CIP Est. Optional Sales Tax Revenue	\$ 7,908,855	\$ 8,228,387	\$ 8,479,289	\$ 8,734,971	\$ 9,027,015	\$ 9,328,022
Less: Est. Reduction of CIP Optional Sales Tax to Pay for Axon Contract in Operating Fund*	\$ -	\$ (643,017)	\$ (938,012)	\$ (975,532)	\$ (1,014,553)	\$ (1,055,135)
CIP Est. Remaining Optional Sales Tax Revenue	\$ 7,908,855	\$ 7,585,370	\$ 7,541,277	\$ 7,759,439	\$ 8,012,462	\$ 8,272,887
CIP Est. Fund Balance	\$ 36,118,496	\$ 27,592,565	\$ 30,723,074	\$ 27,892,273	\$ 25,748,282	\$ 27,069,033

*Note: Anticipate allocating remaining ARPA grant funds in the amount of \$109K in 2026 towards the Axon contract, thus reducing the amount needed from CIP Optional Sales Tax.



Finance – cont.

Timeline

- November 25th Council Workshop AXON contract presentation
- December 2nd City Council Meeting AXON contract approval
- Early 2026 Budget Adjustment



QUESTIONS??

THANK YOU!!