



**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY OF CHICAGO**

BRANDON JOHNSON
MAYOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2026-4

**ESTABLISHING RESPONSIBLE FIREARM, FIREARM ACCESSORY, AND
AMMUNITION PROCUREMENT STANDARDS**

WHEREAS, although Chicago has experienced historic reductions in shootings and homicides, thousands of residents continue to be harmed by gun violence each year; and

WHEREAS, gun violence remains one of the most significant public safety challenges facing the City of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, a small number of firearm dealers and manufacturers are disproportionately associated with firearms recovered in crimes and with violations of federal firearms laws and regulations; and

WHEREAS, responsible firearm dealers and manufacturers play an important role in preventing illegal firearm trafficking, straw purchasing, theft, and unlawful diversion of firearms into communities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Chicago has an obligation to ensure that public funds are spent in a manner consistent with public safety, legal compliance, and responsible business practices; and

WHEREAS, the City may use its purchasing power to promote lawful and responsible firearm commerce and to encourage industry practices that reduce the risk that firearms are diverted to unlawful use; now, therefore,

I, Brandon Johnson, Mayor of the City of Chicago, do hereby order as follows:

SECTION 1. PURPOSE.

The purpose of this Executive Order is to establish enhanced procurement standards for the purchase of firearms, firearm accessories, and ammunition by City departments and agencies in order to promote public safety and ensure responsible stewardship of public resources.

SECTION 2. APPLICABILITY.

This Executive Order applies to all City departments and agencies, including, but not limited to, the Department of Procurement Services ("DPS"), the Chicago Police Department ("CPD"), the Office of

Public Safety Administration ("OPSA"), the Chicago Fire Department, and the Office of Emergency Management and Communications.

SECTION 3. PROCUREMENT STANDARDS.

Within ninety (90) days of the effective date of this Executive Order, DPS, in consultation with CPD, OPSA, and the Corporation Counsel, shall develop and implement procurement standards applicable to solicitations, contracts, renewals, extensions, and non-competitive procurements involving firearms, firearm accessories, or ammunition.

Such standards shall require prospective vendors, to the extent permitted by law, to provide, under penalty of perjury::

- (a) Documentation demonstrating possession of all required federal, state, and local licenses, permits, and certifications;
- (b) All inspection reports and accompanying documentation provided by federal, state, or local officials as part of a firearm regulatory inspection conducted within the previous five years;
- (c) Disclosure of violations of firearm-related laws or regulations identified during inspections within the previous five years and documentation of corrective actions taken;
- (d) Documentation of the vendor's policies, practices, and employee training programs designed to prevent trafficking of weapons including firearms, tasers, stun guns and ammunition, straw purchasing, unlawful transfers, theft, and other unlawful diversion of firearms;
- (e) Documentation regarding the extent to which firearms sold by the vendor have been recovered by law enforcement in connection with criminal activity, including recoveries occurring within three (3) years of retail sale, to the extent such information is known or reasonably available to the vendor; and
- (f) Certifications that the vendor complies with all applicable federal, state, and local laws governing the manufacture, sale, transfer, and distribution of firearms and ammunition.

SECTION 4. RESPONSIBLE BUSINESS PRACTICES.

In addition to the procurement standards listed in Section 3, when evaluating vendors for contracts involving firearms, firearm accessories, or ammunition, City departments shall consider, to the extent permitted by law:

- (a) Measures, policies, and practices implemented to prevent unlawful firearm, stun gun, taser, and ammunition trafficking and straw purchasing;
- (b) Employee training programs relating to compliance with firearm laws and regulations;
- (c) Security measures designed to prevent theft of firearms and ammunition;
- (d) Cooperation with law enforcement investigations involving firearms used in crimes; and
- (e) Other public-safety-related business practices identified by DPS and OPSA.

SECTION 5. REVIEW OF CONTRACTORS.

DPS shall establish procedures for reviewing vendor and subcontractor compliance with the procurement standards and responsible business practices established pursuant to this Executive Order. Such procedures may include requests for supplemental information, periodic compliance reviews, and consideration of documented violations of applicable firearm laws and regulations.

Nothing in this Executive Order shall require the City to enter into, renew, or extend a contract with any vendor determined to present a substantial risk of non-compliance, unlawful conduct, or practices inconsistent with the objectives of this Executive Order.

SECTION 6. WAIVERS.

The Chief Procurement Officer may waive requirements established pursuant to this Executive Order when necessary to address an emergency procurement, ensure continuity of critical public safety operations, or where compliance is impracticable and the waiver serves the best interests of the City.

SECTION 7. REPORTING.

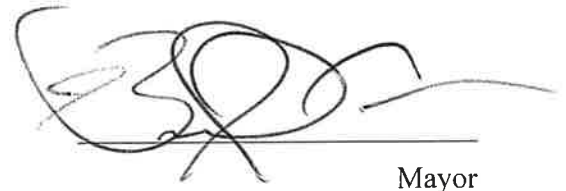
Within three years of implementation of the procurement standards required by this Executive Order, DPS, in consultation with CPD and OPSA, shall provide a report to the Mayor evaluating the effectiveness of the standards, including recommendations for any legislative, regulatory, or administrative changes.

SECTION 8. PUBLIC INFORMATION TRANSPARENCY

The City shall make the documents required under Section 3 available to the public on its website with any confidential information redacted.

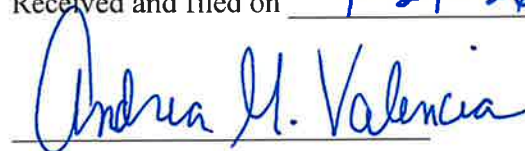
SECTION 9. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Order will take effect upon its execution and filing with the City Clerk.



Mayor

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City Clerk