

# Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE April 9, 2024

Honorable Members of the Public Safety Committee  
TO Cara Mendelsohn (Chair), Kathy Stewart (Vice Chair), Tennell Atkins, Jesse Moreno  
Gay Donnell Willis

SUBJECT **April 24, 2024, City Council DRAFT Agenda Item 24-1166 Agreement for Web-based Software Subscriptions for the Police Department with Nighthawk. Cloud Inc.**

The following agenda item is scheduled to go before the City Council on April 24, 2024.

## **DRAFT AGENDA ITEM 24-1165**

Authorize a three-year cooperative purchasing agreement for web-based software subscriptions for the Police Department with Nighthawk.Cloud, Inc. - Estimated amount of \$561,740.00 - Financing: General Fund

## **BACKGROUND**

This action does not encumber funds; the purpose of a purchasing agreement is to establish firm pricing for services, for a specific term, which are ordered on an as needed basis according to annual budgetary appropriations. The estimated amount is intended as guidance rather than a cap on spending under the agreement, so that actual need combined with the amount budgeted will determine the amount spent under this agreement.

This sole source purchasing agreement will provide for web-based software subscriptions for the Police Department. The subscriptions allow detectives in combing through digital data, a process that had previously been performed manually, at times involving 30,000 pages. While the department has recently expanded to 51 licenses in effort to comply with the Richard Miles Act, the Police Department will expand to 150 licenses to equip approximately 35-40% of investigators, leading to additional time savings. To date, this software has assisted in the seizure of approximately \$448,000.00 in cash, 60 firearms, over 250 lbs of narcotics, and multiple stolen vehicles.

## **FISCAL INFORMATION**

Fund	FY 2024	FY 2025	Future Years
General Fund	\$112,041.00	\$224,850.00	\$224,850.00

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