Memorandum



DATE February 12, 2024

Honorable Members of the Public Safety Committee

To Cara Mendelsohn (Chair), Kathy Stewart (Vice Chair), Tennell Atkins, Jesse Moreno Gay Donnell Willis

SUBJECT February 14, 2024, City Council Agenda Item #30; 24-459 Mobile Forensic Software Subscription for Police Department

The following agenda item is scheduled to go before City Council on February 14, 2024.

Agenda Item #30; 24-459

Authorize a three-year cooperative purchasing agreement for a mobile forensic software subscription for the Police Department with Carahsoft Technology Corp. through the Texas Department of Information Resources cooperative agreement - Not to exceed \$715,141.64 - Financing: General Fund (subject to annual appropriations)

BACKGROUND

This action does not encumber funds; the purpose of a cooperative purchasing agreement is to establish firm pricing for services, for a specific term, which are ordered on an as needed basis.

This cooperative purchasing agreement will provide for a mobile forensic software subscription for the Police Department. The Police Department will utilize this subscription service to extract forensic data from cellular telephones to assist various investigative divisions in the prosecution of criminal cases. Its analytics performs optical character recognition on media files which allows for the search of text contained within images; performs image classification for quick identification of files of interest such as those likely containing drugs, weapons, faces, money, or child exploitation materials; and features reverse image search to identify images similar to a known reference image such as a person or place. This digital intelligence investigative platform enables cross-collaboration and accelerate justice, increase solvability, efficiency, and transparent to criminal investigations.

The Texas Department of Information Resources cooperative agreement is authorized by Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code and Subchapter F, Chapter 271, Texas Local Government Code. Section 271.102 of the Texas Local Government Code which authorizes a local government to participate in a Cooperative Purchasing Program with another local government or a local cooperative organization.

FISCAL INFORMATION

Fund	FY 2024	FY 2025	Future Years
General Fund	\$306,741.64	\$204,200.00	\$204,200.00

Should you have any questions or concerns please contact me at (214) 670 5299.

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