



Legislation Text

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STRATEGIC PRIORITY: Government Performance & Financial Management
AGENDA DATE: February 14, 2024
COUNCIL DISTRICT(S): All
DEPARTMENT: Office of Procurement Services
EXECUTIVE: Jack Ireland

SUBJECT

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.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)

This item has no prior action.

FISCAL INFORMATION

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

M/WBE INFORMATION

In accordance with the City’s Business Inclusion and Development Policy adopted on September 23, 2020, by Resolution No. 20-1430, as amended, the M/WBE participation on this contract is as follows:

Contract Amount	Procurement Category	M/WBE Goal
\$715,141.64	Other Services	N/A
M/WBE Subcontracting %	M/WBE Overall %	M/WBE Overall Participation \$
N/A	N/A	N/A
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Business Inclusion and Development Policy does not apply to Cooperative Purchasing Agreements. • Carahsoft Technology Corp. - Non-Local; Workforce - 0.00% Local 		

PROCUREMENT INFORMATION

Method of Evaluation for Award Type:

Cooperative Purchasing Agreement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cooperative purchasing agreements enable the City to associate with State agencies, other local governments, or local cooperative organizations comprised of other state and local governments, to leverage market buying power and enable the City to purchase goods or services at lower prices • The cooperative purchasing agreement is an alternative method of meeting the requirements for competitive bidding or competitive sealed proposals, not an exception from that requirement
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