

Resolution authorizing a Services Contract and a five-year Software as a Service Agreement with WatchGuard Video, Inc. for Body-Worn Cameras and related storage solutions. (Sheriff) (\$2,523,802.17)

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Sheriff's Office wishes to equip all Ohio Peace Officer Training Certified deputies with Body-Worn Cameras (BWCs) for use while on duty in order to provide transparency and to increase the safety of deputies and the general public they serve during their interactions; and

WHEREAS, a committee, including County stakeholders from County Administration, the Franklin County Sheriff's Office, the Prosecuting Attorney's Office, the Office of Management and Budget, the Data Center, Fleet Management, and the Purchasing Department, was assembled in February of 2021 to support this critical project; and

WHEREAS, the County researched solution options by issuing a formal Request for Information that was posted in March of 2021, with review completed in May of 2021; and

WHEREAS, through careful consideration by the committee, the County determined that WatchGuard Video, Inc. offered the best solution to meet the needs of the Franklin County Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code § 9.48 authorizes the County's use of joint purchasing programs and, therefore, allows for the County's procurement of the WatchGuard Video, Inc., solution under Sourcewell contract #010720; and

WHEREAS, by the passage of Data Board resolution #22-007 on January 10, 2022, the Franklin County Data Board approved the WatchGuard Video, Inc., BWC project; and

WHEREAS, the Services Contract will be in effect from February 8, 2022, through Final Acceptance of implementation, and the Software as a Service ("SaaS") Agreement will be for a period of five years beginning on the first day following Go-Live acceptance of the first phase of implementation and includes one (1) additional five (5)-year optional extension period; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Sheriff's Office and the Board of Commissioners are committed to transparency and accountability in both the purchase and use of BWCs; and

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WHEREAS, the primary purpose of BWCs is to improve evidence collection, to strengthen deputies’ performance in the field, use the video to improve employee training, document encounters between law enforcement and the public, and to investigate criminal activity and resolve complaints and other deputy-involved incidents; and

WHEREAS, the determination for use of body worn cameras by deputies within the Franklin County corrections centers will continue to be evaluated, taking into account best practices, the need and desire for transparency, and the successful incorporation of strategic inmate management (SIM) within a more normative environment; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Sheriff’s Office and the Board of Commissioners intend to hold public forums to allow the residents of Franklin County the opportunity to both learn about and submit questions concerning the use of BWCs; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Sheriff’s Office recommends that the Board of Commissioners approve the Services Contract and SaaS Agreement with WatchGuard Video, Inc.; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO:

1. That the attached Services Contract and SaaS Agreement with WatchGuard Video, Inc., for BWCs and related storage solutions in the amount not to exceed \$2,523,802.17 is hereby approved.
2. That the attached Services Contract and SaaS Agreement with WatchGuard Video, Inc. are hereby approved in the amount listed below.

| | Implementation | SaaS | Total |
|--------|----------------|--------------|----------------|
| Year 1 | \$158,102.17 | \$473,140.00 | \$631,242.17 |
| Year 2 | X | \$473,140.00 | \$473,140.00 |
| Year 3 | X | \$473,140.00 | \$473,140.00 |
| Year 4 | X | \$473,140.00 | \$473,140.00 |
| Year 5 | X | \$473,140.00 | \$473,140.00 |
| | | TOTAL | \$2,523,802.17 |

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3. That the Franklin County Sheriff's Office BWC Policy is hereby incorporated and made a part of this Resolution.
4. The BWC Policy is incorporated into this resolution to educate the public on the procedures concerning BWCs and will be reviewed annually by the Franklin County Sheriff's Office, Board of Commissioners, and the Prosecuting Attorney's Office.
5. That a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$394,672.17 is hereby authorized from the unappropriated cash balance as follows and allocated per the attached document (Journal #825):

| | AMOUNT |
|---|--------------|
| Sheriff/Sheriff's Capital Fund/Capital Outlays Fund 4053 | \$394,672.17 |

6. That the attached Purchase Order in the amount of \$394,672.17 that is individually described on the accompanying Purchase Order Proof List to meet the obligations in the current fiscal year is hereby approved.

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