

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Drone System with Associated Software/Equipment and Installation for the Sheriff's Office
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve payment to Airworx Unmanned Solutions (Greenville, SC) in the amount of \$154,832.38 for the purchase of a Drone system with associated software/equipment and installation services for the Sheriff's Office. Payment is also requested for the annual software license fee which will be budgeted in subsequent fiscal years.

The Drone system will be used by the Sheriff's Office to provide rapid aerial visibility for faster response, improved situational awareness, and safer outcomes. The system from Airworx Unmanned Solutions was selected by the Sheriff.

Funds are available in the FY26 Budget: General Fund – Sheriff - School Zone/Public Safety Initiative – Capital Expenditures over \$5,000; 0101-550-3800-SZSI-7761.

Funding will be budgeted in subsequent fiscal years for the annual software license fee.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO AIRWORX UNMANNED SOLUTIONS (GREENVILLE, SC) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$154,832.38 FOR THE PURCHASE OF A DRONE SYSTEM WITH ASSOCIATED SOFTWARE/EQUIPMENT AND INSTALLATION SERVICES FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE. THIS RESOLUTION FURTHER AUTHORIZES PAYMENT FOR THE ANNUAL SOFTWARE LICENSE FEE WHICH WILL BE BUDGETED IN SUBSEQUENT FISCAL YEARS.

WHEREAS, the Drone system will be used by the Sheriff's Office to provide rapid aerial visibility for faster response, improved situational awareness, and safer outcomes; and,

WHEREAS, the system from Airworx Unmanned Solutions was selected by the Sheriff.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

That the Mayor and/or his designee are hereby authorized to render payment to Airworx Unmanned Solutions (Greenville, SC) in the amount of \$154,832.38 for the purchase of a Drone system with associated software/equipment and installation services for the Sheriff's Office. Further, the Mayor and/or his designee is hereby authorized to render payment for the annual software license fee which will be budgeted in subsequent fiscal years.

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Funding will be budgeted in subsequent fiscal years for the annual software license fee.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the _____ day of _____, 2026 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

Councilor Allen	voting _____
Councilor Anker	voting _____
Councilor Chambers	voting _____
Councilor Cogle	voting _____
Councilor Crabb	voting _____
Councilor Davis	voting _____
Councilor Garrett	voting _____
Councilor Hickey	voting _____
Councilor Huff	voting _____
Councilor Tucker	voting _____

Lindsey G. McLemore, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson III, Mayor