

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Contract Extension for Leather Items (Annual Contract) - RFB No. 20-0013
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the extension of the annual contract with Galls, LLC (Lexington, KY) and Strack, Inc. (formerly Black Gear Industries) (Yorktown, VA), through December 31, 2026, for the purchase of Leather Items on an “as needed” basis.

The leather items consist of belts, handcuff cases, holders, baton holders, holsters, magazine pouches, etc., and are used by the Columbus Police Department, Muscogee County Prison and Muscogee County Sheriff’s Office.

Per Resolution No. 103-20, dated April 28, 2020, Council authorized the execution of a 5-year annual contract with Galls, LLC, Strack, Inc. (formerly Black Gear Industries), GT Distributors (Austin, TX) and Gulf States Distributors (Montgomery, AL). The latter two vendors declined to renew during the initial term of the contract. The contract has exhausted all renewals, and a previously authorized extension expired on July 31, 2026. The extension through December 31, 2026, is needed to allow time to complete specifications and advertise a new bid for the Public Safety Departments. Council approval is required for this contract extension.

Funds are budgeted each fiscal year for this on-going expense: General Fund – Police – Support Services – Uniforms, 0101-400-2200-STAF-6781; General Fund – MCP – Warden – Uniforms, 0101-420-1000-MCCI-6781; and General Fund - Sheriff – Detention – Uniforms, 0101-550-2600-JAIL-6781.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AUTHORIZE THE EXTENSION OF THE ANNUAL CONTRACT WITH GALLS, LLC (LEXINGTON, KY) AND STRACK, INC. (FORMERLY BLACK GEAR INDUSTRIES) (YORKTOWN, VA), THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2026, FOR THE PURCHASE OF LEATHER ITEMS ON AN “AS NEEDED” BASIS.

WHEREAS, the leather items consist of belts, handcuff cases, holders, baton holders, holsters, magazine pouches, etc., and are used by the Columbus Police Department, Muscogee County Prison and Muscogee County Sheriff’s Office; and,

WHEREAS, per Resolution No. 103-20, dated April 28, 2020, Council authorized the execution of a 5-year annual contract with Galls, LLC, Strack, Inc. (formerly Black Gear Industries), GT Distributors (Austin, TX) and Gulf States Distributors (Montgomery, AL). The latter two vendors declined to renew during the initial term of the contract. The contract has exhausted all renewals, and a previously authorized extension expired on July 31, 2026. The extension through December 31, 2026, is needed to allow time to complete specifications and advertise a new bid for the Public Safety Departments. Council approval is required for this contract extension.

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

That the City Manager and/or his designee is hereby authorized to extend the annual contract with Galls, LLC (Lexington, KY) and Strack, Inc. (formerly Black Gear Industries) (Yorktown, VA), through December 31, 2026, for the purchase of Leather Items on an “as needed” basis. Funds are budgeted each fiscal year for this on-going expense: General Fund – Police – Support Services – Uniforms, 0101-400-2200-STAF-6781; General Fund – MCP – Warden – Uniforms, 0101-420-1000-MCCI-6781; and General Fund - Sheriff – Detention – Uniforms, 0101-550-2600-JAIL-6781.

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 Barnes voting	_____.
Councilor Chambers voting	_____.
Councilor Cogle voting	_____.
Councilor Cook voting	_____.
Councilor Crabb voting	_____.
Councilor Davis voting	_____.
Councilor Garrett voting	_____.
Councilor Huff voting	_____.
Councilor Tucker voting	_____.

Lindsey G. McLemore, Clerk of Council

B.H. “Skip” Henderson III, Mayor