

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Police FY25 Other Local Option Sales Tax (OLOST) Reallocation
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to reallocate \$15,000 of the FY25 Other Local Option Sales Tax Fund budget of the Police Department from Capital Outlay (Expenditure – Over \$5,000) to fund the purchase of six Panasonic Toughbooks.
INITIATED BY:	Columbus Police Department/Finance Department

Recommendation: Approval is requested to reallocate \$15,000 of the FY25 Other Local Option Sales Tax budget of the Police Department from Capital Outlay (Capital Expenditure – Over \$5,000) to fund the purchase of six Panasonic Toughbooks and the warranty and set-up costs associated in the amount of \$21,018.

Background: The FY25 OLOST Budget for the Police Department included funds for the purchase of two GETAC Video Systems. These systems were specifically approved by Council during the annual budget process. In addition, two Panasonic Toughbooks were specifically approved by Council for purchase totaling \$8,000. The Police Department is requesting to purchase four additional Panasonic Toughbooks.

Analysis: Due to the repurposing of two existing GETAC Video Systems for use in an interview room system upgrade, the purchase of new systems is no longer necessary. CDP is requesting to reallocate those funds toward the purchase of four additional Panasonic Toughbooks, for a total of six.

Financial Considerations: This is a budget neutral reallocation.

Legal Considerations: Council approval is required for the reallocation of the Other LOST budget.

Recommendations/Actions: Approve a resolution reallocating \$15,000 of the FY25 Other Local Option Sales Tax Fund budget of the Police Department from Capital Outlay (Capital Expenditure – Over \$5,000) to fund the purchase of six Panasonic Toughbooks and the warranty and set-up costs associated.

A RESOLUTION

NO.

A RESOLUTION REALLOCATING \$15,000 OF THE FY25 OTHER LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX FUND BUDGET OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM CAPITAL OUTLAY (CAPITAL EXPENDITURE – OVER \$5,000) TO PURCHASE SIX PANASONIC TOUGHBOOKS.

WHEREAS, the FY25 Other Local Option Sales Tax budget for the Police Department included funds for GETAC Video Systems; and,

WHEREAS, two existing GETAC Video Systems were repurposed for use in the Interview Room recording system upgrade, eliminating the need to purchase additional systems, thereby freeing funds from the initial budget allocation; and,

WHEREAS, the Police Department requests to reallocate \$15,000 of the FY25 Other Local Option Sales Tax Fund budget of the Police Department from Capital Outlay (Capital Expenditure – Over \$5,000) to purchase six Panasonic Toughbooks

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

That the Police Department is hereby authorized to reallocate \$15,000 to purchase six Panasonic Toughbooks.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held on the _____ day of _____, 2025 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