Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Investigative Analytics Software For The Sheriff's Office
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the purchase of Investigative Analytics Software from Cognyte/FalcoNet (Bohemia, NY), in the amount of $800,000.00, for the Sheriff's Office.

This software will be used by the Sheriff's Office to accelerate investigations by giving teams the tools to resolve investigations quickly and efficiently. The software:

- Fuses and enriches large-scale, varied data to present a clear, logical and cohesive picture of people, places, organizations, events, etc

- Tracks, tags and alerts on model changes with customizable formats based on Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, and analyst preferences.

-Empowers investigators and analysts with a state-of-the-art working environment to maximize the exploration of hypotheses and reveal insights, patterns, and hidden relations with a 360° holistic view.

-Applies secure information management and case management policies that ensure full compartmentalization and safe collaboration.

Cognyte is the exclusive developer and manufacturer of the Falco.Net™ software. Consequently, the vendor is considered the only known source to provide the software per the Procurement Ordinance, Article 3-114.

Funds are available in the FY25 Budget: Multi-Government Project Fund – Sheriff – COPS 2024 Technology Program Grant – Capital Expenditure Over $5,000; 0216 – 550 – 3023 – COPT – 7761.

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A RESOLUTION
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A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF INVESTIGATIVE ANALYTICS SOFTWARE FROM COGNYTE/FALCONET (BOHEMIA, NY), IN THE AMOUNT OF $800,000.00, FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

WHEREAS, this software will be used by the Sheriff's Office to accelerate investigations by giving teams the tools to resolve investigations quickly and efficiently; and,

WHEREAS, the software:

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-Applies secure information management and case management policies that ensure full compartmentalization and safe collaboration; and,

WHEREAS, Cognyte is the exclusive developer and manufacturer of the Falco.Net™ software. Consequently, the vendor is considered the only known source to provide the software per the Procurement Ordinance, Article 3-114.

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

That the City Manager and/or his designee is hereby authorized to purchase Investigative Analytics Software from Cognyte/FalcoNet (Bohemia, NY), in the amount of $800,000.00, for the Sheriff's Office. Funds are available in the FY25 Budget: Multi-Government Project Fund – Sheriff – COPS 2024 Technology Program Grant – Capital Expenditure Over $5,000; 0216 – 550 – 3023 – COPT – 7761.

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Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the _____day of_____, 2024 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____members of said Council.

Councilor Allen   voting _____
Councilor Chambers   voting _____
Councilor Cogle   voting _____
Councilor Crabb   voting _____
Councilor Davis   voting _____

Councilor Garrett   voting _____
Councilor Hickey   voting _____
Councilor Huff   voting _____
Councilor Thomas   voting _____
Councilor Tucker   voting _____

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Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council   B.H. "Skip" Henderson III, Mayor