

**Columbus Consolidated Government  
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

<b>TO:</b>	Mayor and Councilors
<b>AGENDA SUBJECT:</b>	Retrofit/Upgrade of Bomb Squad Robot for EMA/Homeland Security
<b>INITIATED BY:</b>	Finance Department

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It is requested that Council approve the purchase of retrofit/upgrade services for the bomb squad robot from Pareton/Remotec, Inc., (Clinton, TN) in the amount of \$112,523.00.

The bomb robot (Remotec 2455 F6A) was originally purchased in 2003, per Resolution #554-03. The unit was upgraded in 2014, per Resolution #298-14. The robot allows the bomb technicians to remain at a safe distance, and in a safe location, when handling potentially hazardous items and/or situations.

Currently, the robot is not working and requires a complete retrofit of new parts and operating system. The retrofit will take the robot to an F6+ style, and the work can only be performed by the manufacturer, Remotec. Consequently, the vendor is deemed the only known source to perform the retrofit services, per the Procurement Ordinance, article 3-114.

The robot will be delivered to the manufacturer, and the retrofit services will take approximately 3-4 months.

Funds are available in the FY26 Budget: Multi-Gov't Project Fund – Homeland Security – GEMA Bomb Robot Upgrade & Repairs – Capital Expend – Over \$5,000; 0216 – 450 – 3931 – BRBT – 7761.

**A RESOLUTION**

**NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF RETROFIT/UPGRADE SERVICES FOR THE BOMB SQUAD ROBOT FROM PARETON/REMOTEC, INC., (CLINTON, TN) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$112,523.00.**

**WHEREAS**, the bomb robot (Remotec 2455 F6A) was originally purchased in 2003, per Resolution #554-03. The unit was upgraded in 2014, per Resolution #298-14. The robot allows the bomb technicians to remain at a safe distance, and in a safe location, when handling potentially hazardous items and/or situations; and,

**WHEREAS**, currently, the robot is not working and requires a complete retrofit of new parts and operating system. The retrofit will take the robot to an F6+ style, and the work can only be performed by the manufacturer, Remotec. Consequently, the vendor is deemed the only known source to perform the retrofit services, per the Procurement Ordinance, article 3-114; and,

**WHEREAS**, the robot will be delivered to the manufacturer, and the retrofit services will take approximately 3-4 months.

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

That the Mayor and or his designee is hereby authorized to purchase retrofit/upgrade services for the bomb squad robot from Pareton/Remotec, Inc., (Clinton, TN) in the amount of \$112,523.00. Funds are available in the FY26 Budget: Multi-Gov't Project Fund – Homeland Security – GEMA Bomb Robot Upgrade & Repairs – Capital Expend – Over \$5,000; 0216 – 450 – 3931 – BRBT – 7761.

\_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_\_

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Lindsey G. McLemore, Clerk of Council

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B.H. "Skip" Henderson III, Mayor