

**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 August 31, 2026, for the purchase of Leather Items on an “as needed” basis

The leather items consist of belts, handcuff cases, flashlight 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, 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 April 27, 2026. The extension through July 31, 2026, is needed to allow the Public Safety Departments time to advertise a new RFB for the next contract. 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 EXTENSION OF THE ANNUAL CONTRACT WITH GALLS, LLC (LEXINGTON, KY) AND STRACK, INC. (FORMERLY BLACK GEAR INDUSTRIES) (YORKTOWN, VA), THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2026, FOR THE PURCHASE OF LEATHER ITEMS ON AN “AS NEEDED” BASIS.

WHEREAS, the leather items consist of belts, handcuff cases, flashlight 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, Black Gear Industries, GT Distributors (Austin, TX) and Gulf States Distributors (Montgomery, AL). The latter two vendors have declined to renew during the initial term of the contract. The contract has exhausted all renewals, and a previously authorized extension expired on April 27, 2026. The extension through August 31, 2026, is needed to allow the Public Safety Departments time to advertise a new RFB for the next contract. Council approval is required for this contract extension.

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

That the Mayor 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 August 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 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