

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

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| TO: | Mayor and Councilors |
| AGENDA SUBJECT: | Avanan Harmony Email & Collaboration Advanced Software for Information Technology – Georgia Statewide Contract |
| INITIATED BY: | Finance Department |

It is requested that Council approve the purchase of Avanan Email and Collaboration Advanced Software from SHI International Corporation (Somerset, NJ), in the amount of \$77,760.00 via Georgia Statewide Contract #99999-SPD-SPD0000060-0003. It is also requested that Council approve payment for the annual subscription and maintenance fees in subsequent years.

Avanan provides industry leading protection to the City’s Office 365 environment. Avanan sits on top of the Office 365 environment providing an additional layer to the City’s security posture. The software looks at incoming emails to attempt to catch phishing, spam, and malicious attachments and links. Additionally, it will look through OneDrive, Microsoft Teams, and SharePoint sites to detect and protect against malicious objects that may be residing within these areas. This software is critical to protecting the City’s technological infrastructure due to an increase in the number of employees requiring VPN/remote access to the City’s network during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Funding for the initial purchase of the software is available in the FY22 Budget: General Fund – Information Technology – COVID19/Equipment; 0101 – 210 – 1000 – ISS – 7764. Payment for the subsequent annual subscription and maintenance fees will be budgeted in subsequent fiscal years: General Fund – Information Technology – Software Lease; 0101 – 210 – 1000 – ISS – 6541.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF AVANAN EMAIL AND COLLABORATION ADVANCED SOFTWARE FROM SHI INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION (SOMERSET, NJ), IN THE AMOUNT OF \$77,760.00 VIA GEORGIA STATEWIDE CONTRACT #99999-SPD-SPD0000060-0003. IT IS ALSO REQUESTED THAT COUNCIL APPROVE PAYMENT FOR THE ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION AND MAINTENANCE FEES IN SUBSEQUENT YEARS.

WHEREAS, Avanan provides industry leading protection to the City’s Office 365 environment. Avanan sits on top of the Office 365 environment providing an additional layer to the City’s security posture. The software looks at incoming emails to attempt to catch phishing, spam, and malicious attachments and links. Additionally, it will look through OneDrive, Microsoft Teams, and SharePoint sites to detect and protect against malicious objects that may be residing within these areas.

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

That the City Manager is hereby authorized to purchase Avanan Email and Collaboration Advanced Software from SHI International Corporation (Somerset, NJ), in the amount of \$77,760.00 via Georgia Statewide Contract #99999-SPD-SPD0000060-0003. It is also requested that Council approve payment for the annual subscription and maintenance fees in subsequent years. Funding for the initial purchase of the software, is available in the FY22 Budget: General Fund – Information Technology – COVID19/Equipment; 0101 – 210 – 1000 – ISS – 7764. Payment for the subsequent annual subscription and maintenance fees will be budgeted in subsequent fiscal years: General Fund – Information Technology – Software Lease; 0101 – 210 – 1000 – ISS – 6541.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the _____ day of _____, 2022 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

- Councilor Allen voting _____.
- Councilor Barnes voting _____.
- Councilor Crabb voting _____.
- Councilor Davis voting _____.
- Councilor Garrett voting _____.
- Councilor House voting _____.
- Councilor Huff voting _____.
- Councilor Thomas voting _____.
- Councilor Tucker voting _____.
- Councilor Woodson voting _____.

Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson III, Mayor