

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Air-Gapped Backup and Recovery Solution for Information Technology – Sourcewell Cooperative Purchase
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the purchase of an air-gapped backup and recovery solution from CDW Government LLC (Vernon Hills, IL) in the amount of \$512,881.00. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Sourcewell Contract # 081419-CDW. Additionally, it is requested that Council approve payments for the ongoing license and subscription fees after the initial purchase.

The Information Technology Department is requesting to purchase a new state-of-the-art immutable backup system for business-critical systems and data that will function as the CCG's last stand in the event of a severe outage or loss of data. These systems allow the CCG IT Department to back up this data while maintaining a severed connection to the greater network limiting access to it from all parties, thus ensuring greater data integrity.

This purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via Request for Proposal (RFP) #081419, initiated by Sourcewell, whereby CDW Government LLC was one of the successful vendors contracted to provide Technology Catalog Solutions. The effective date of the contract began December 1, 2019, and will expire on October 30, 2024. The contract may be extended for an additional year at Sourcewell's discretion. Sourcewell is a Service Cooperative created by Minnesota Statute 123A.21. This statute was created in 1978 and revised in 1995 to allow participating governmental and municipal agencies to reduce the cost of purchased goods by leveraging their combined purchasing power. The RFP process utilized by Sourcewell meets the requirements of the City's Procurement Ordinance; additionally, cooperative purchasing is authorized per Article 9-101 of the Procurement Ordinance.

Funding in the amount of \$151,867.00 is available in the FY23 Budget: American Rescue Plan Fiscal Recovery Fund – Federal ARP – Federal Revenue Recovery – Capital Expenditure – Over \$5,000 - Revenue Recovery - Cyber Security Upgrades; 0218 – 691 – 1300 – ARRR – 7761 - 40492-20230.

Remaining funding in the amount of \$361,014.00 is available in the FY23 Budget: LOST/Infrastructure – Information Technology – Infrastructure/LOST – Software Lease; 0109 – 210 – 9901 – LOST – 6541.

Funding for the ongoing license and subscription fees will be budgeted in the subsequent fiscal years.

RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF AN AIR-GAPPED BACKUP AND RECOVERY SOLUTION FROM CDW GOVERNMENT LLC (VERNON HILLS, IL) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$512,881.00. THE PURCHASE WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY COOPERATIVE PURCHASE VIA SOURCEWELL CONTRACT # 081419-CDW. ADDITIONALLY, IT IS REQUESTED THAT COUNCIL APPROVE PAYMENTS FOR THE ONGOING LICENSE AND SUBSCRIPTION FEES AFTER THE INITIAL PURCHASE.

WHEREAS, the Information Technology Department is requesting to purchase a new state-of-the-art immutable backup system for business-critical systems and data that will function as the CCG's last stand in the event of a severe outage or loss of data. These systems allow the CCG IT Department to back up this data while maintaining a severed connection to the greater network limiting access to it from all parties, thus ensuring greater data integrity; and,

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

That the City Manager is hereby authorized to purchase an air-gapped backup and recovery solution from CDW Government LLC (Vernon Hills, IL) in the amount of \$512,881.00. The purchase will be accomplished by cooperative purchase via Sourcewell Contract # 081419-CDW. Additionally, it is requested that Council approve payments for the ongoing license and subscription fees after the initial purchase.

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Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the _____ day of _____, 2023 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of members of said Council.

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

Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson III, Mayor