

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Network Upgrade Services for the Columbus Convention and Trade Center
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the purchase of network upgrade services for the Columbus Convention and Trade Center from NetPlanner Systems, Inc. (Columbus, GA) in the total amount of \$989,741.74.

The Columbus Convention and Trade Center requires a complete network upgrade within the facility due to their current outdated system reaching end of life. Primarily, the services will include updating the facility's Wi-Fi and Data Cabling Rewire. As the annual contracted vendor providing On-call Low Voltage Wiring Services for the City, Netplanner has completed similar projects for other City facilities.

This upgrade would bring the Trade Center in line with other City facilities' networks and allow for better operations, continuity and interconnectivity throughout the City government. Which means the vendor is the only known source to complete this immense project to maintain the continuity within the City facilities. Consequently, the vendor is deemed an only known source in accordance with the Procurement Ordinance, Article 3-114 and Federal CFR 200.320 (C)(2)(4).

Funds are budgeted in the FY25 Budget as follows: \$764,245.19 is available in the American Rescue Plan-Fiscal Recovery Fund – Federal ARP – Federal Infrastructure Broadband – Professional Services - Broadband Upgrades - Phase 1 (ARP); 0218 – 691 – 1700 – ARBB – 6311 – 40550 – 20220. The remaining amount needed to complete this project will be funded from Trade Center Fund Reserves as : Columbus Ironworks Trade Center Fund – Trade Center – Building Maintenance – Professional Services; 0753-620-2300-TCMT-6311.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF NETWORK UPGRADE SERVICES FOR THE COUMBUS CONVENTION AND TRADE CENTER FROM NETPLANNER SYSTEMS, INC. (COLUMBUS, GA) IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$989,741.74.

WHEREAS, the Columbus Convention and Trade Center requires a complete network upgrade within the facility due to their current outdated system reaching end of life. Primarily, the services will include updating the facility’s Wi-Fi and Data Cabling Rewire. As the annual contracted vendor providing On-call Low Voltage Wiring Services for the City, Netplanner has completed similar projects for other City facilities; and,

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

That the City Manager and/or his designee is hereby authorized to purchase network upgrade services for the Coumbus Convention and Trade Center from NetPlanner Systems, Inc. (Columbus, GA) in the total amount of \$ 989,741.74. Funds are budgeted in the FY25 Budget as follows:

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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 _____

Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson III, Mayor