

<b>MEETING DATE</b>
10-4-21

# CITY OF LAKE CITY

## Report to Council

<b>COUNCIL AGENDA</b>	
<b>SECTION</b>	
<b>ITEM NO.</b>	

**SUBJECT:** Police Department Laptop Justification  
Revised after 10-18-21 Council Meeting

**DEPT / OFFICE:** Police

<b>Originator:</b> Chief Argatha Gilmore 		
<b>City Manager</b> Interim City Manager: Mike Williams	<b>Department Director</b> Chief Argatha Gilmore	<b>Date</b> 9-16-21

**Recommended Action:**  
Request approval for amended budget item in FY22.

<u>Description</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Ext. Price</u>
Dell Latitude 5424 Rugged CTO	\$2058.94	50	\$102,947.00

**Summary Explanation & Background:**

On Tuesday, August 31, 2021, City IT personnel notified the Lake City Police Department Administration that during SmartCop system checks, IT determined the current laptops used by the Police Department did not meet the specifications needed to efficiently run both SmartCop as well as other necessary applications. IT confirmed with SmartCop that recommended laptop specifications are not currently being met, which has resulted in a less than optimized system with the inability to add any additional functionality to the department vehicles, including Automated License Plate Readers. The current laptops are between 4-5 years old and provide slow performance at times due to the specification mismatch. If additional strain was put on the laptops, it would cause instability resulting in reboots, crashes, freezing, and other abnormalities that would cause potential issues to officers in the field.

To bring the Police Department laptops into compliance with SmartCop standards, as well as to provide enough additional processing power to run other needed applications on the laptops, quotes were obtained for replacement of 50 laptops to cover the entirety of the department's needs. The quoted laptops meet SmartCop needs, as well as being able to handle additional applications needed now and in the future. In addition to bringing the equipment up to standards, the new hardware will alleviate the general slowness reported in the past by officers, and allow IT to implement new functionality over time to aid the department.

**Alternatives:** Continued use of outdated laptops will cause instability with the laptops resulting in reboots, crashes, freezing, and other abnormalities that would cause potential issues to officers in the field.

Source of Funds: **OPTIONS:** Per Interim City Manager Mike Williams, after discussion with Chief Gilmore and review of current year budget, it is too early in current budget year to move money from other accounts for this purchase. Therefore, funding for the laptops should come from contingency funds. Later in the year, Quarter 3 or 4 of FY 22, re-look budget to potentially recoup all or portion of the funds back into contingency.

1. Salary account funds transfer to Capital Outlay Machinery and Equipment in FY 22.
2. CARES Act Funds

Financial Impact:  
\$102,947.00

**Exhibits Attached:**

vTECHio proposal received from City of Lake City's IT Department