

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-099-R**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A LEASE-PURCHASE AGREEMENT  
FOR PANASONIC TOUGHBOOKS THROUGH TIPS COOPERATIVE  
PURCHASING CONTRACT NO. 230105**

**WHEREAS**, TIPS is a national, governmental purchasing cooperative which leverages nationwide purchasing power through the cooperative efforts of its members to reduce the costs associated with government purchases of equipment and products; and

**WHEREAS**, TIPS establishes and provides competitively-solicited purchasing contracts pursuant to a bidding process which has been reviewed and approved by the State of Alabama Department of Examiners of Public Accounts; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief of Police for the City of Madison has requested that the City utilize the TIPS Cooperative Purchasing Agreement No. 230105 for the purchase of sixty (60) Panasonic Toughbooks to replace obsolete laptops used within the Police Department; and

**WHEREAS**, Alabama Code Section 41-16-51(a)(16) provides that goods purchased from a national or regional cooperative purchasing program that has been conducted by a government entity and approved by the State of Alabama Examiners Office are exempt from competitive bid procedure. See Also, *AG Opinion#2014-050*.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Madison, Alabama, that the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to purchase sixty (60) Panasonic Toughbooks via contract number 230105 through the TIPS cooperative, subject to compliance with all rules and regulations set forth by the State of Alabama Department of Examiners of Public Accounts regarding cooperative purchasing opportunities and with all applicable City policies and regulations; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Madison, Alabama, that the Mayor is authorized to execute on behalf of the City a lease-purchase agreement, said Agreement to be substantially similar in purpose, intent, and composition to that certain document attached hereto and identified as "Master Equipment Lease Agreement," and that the City Clerk-Treasurer is hereby authorized to appropriately attest the same.

**READ, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** this 8th day of April 2024.

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*Ranae Bartlett, Council President*  
City of Madison, Alabama

ATTEST:

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*Lisa D. Thomas, City Clerk-Treasurer*  
City of Madison, Alabama

APPROVED this \_\_ day of April 2024.

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*Paul Finley, Mayor*  
City of Madison, Alabama