



Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Linda Gorton
Mayor

Kenneth Armstrong
Commissioner

TO: Mayor Linda Gorton
Urban County Council

Lawrence B. Weathers

FROM: Chief Lawrence B. Weathers
Lexington Police Department

CC: Commissioner Kenneth Armstrong
Department of Public Safety

DATE: January 5, 2024

SUBJECT: Forensic Technology Inc. – Integrated Ballistic Identification System (IBIS)

Request

Authorization to establish Forensic Technology Inc., (a member of the Ultra Group of companies) as a sole source vendor and accept the attached Integrated Ballistic Identification System (IBIS) SafeGuard Warranty and Protection Plan proposal.

Why are you requesting?

This is a SafeGuard Warranty and Protection Plan for the IBIS BRASSTRAX Acquisition Station that the Lexington Police Department currently utilizes. The IBIS BRASSTRAX Acquisition Station captures high resolution 2D and 3D images of the cartridge casing. The images of the cartridge casing are entered into NIBIN (National Integrated Ballistic Information Network). This network allows cartridge casings from across the country to be compared to each other. The NIBIN will return a list of potential matches. All IBIS systems deployed on NIBIN must meet the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) security requirements. Forensic Technology's SafeGuard Warranty includes key services that ensure all IBIS systems continue to be compliant with the DOJ requirements.

The coverage period is for twelve (12) months, from September 19, 2023 to September 18, 2024. The annual cost is \$19,767. This is also to establish Forensic Technology Inc. (IBIS), as a sole source vendor. The attached agreement requires the approval of Council and Mayor Gorton.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years?

Funds are budgeted - \$19,767

Are the funds budgeted? Yes – 1101-505506-5561-76102

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Director/Commissioner: Lawrence B. Weathers, Chief
Lexington Police Department

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