



Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Jim Gray  
Mayor

Kenneth Armstrong  
Commissioner

TO: Mayor Jim Gray  
Urban County Council

FROM:   
Chief Lawrence B. Weathers  
Lexington Police Department

CC: Commissioner Kenneth Armstrong  
Department of Public Safety

DATE: August 2, 2018

SUBJECT: Digital Intelligence, Inc. - Sole Source Vendor & Purchase – Forensic Recovery of  
Evidence Device (3)

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**Request**

Authorization to establish Digital Intelligence, Inc. as a Sole Source Vendor for the purchase of three (3) Forensic Recovery of Evidence Devices (FRED).

**Why are you requesting?**

The FRED is a computer system specifically designed for the recovery of digital evidence from computers and other electronic devices for the investigation and prosecution of criminal violations. Digital Intelligence, Inc. is the sole source for the FRED family of forensic computers and our forensic software suite. This is the standard forensic digital evidence by the U.S. Secret Service, which is the training agency for our Detectives. This system is the platform on which our local training is built. The Police Department is requesting approval from the Urban County Council and Mayor Gray in regards to making Digital Intelligence, Inc. a sole source vendor for the purchase of three (3) Forensic Recovery of Evidence Devices (FRED). Funds are budgeted.

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

\$35,292

**Are the funds budgeted?** Yes, Accounting – 1101-505501-5511-96201

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

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