



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 27, 2021

SUBJECT: Sole Source Certification – Thoroughbred Aviation

Request

Authorization to establish Thoroughbred Aviation, Bell Helicopter Service, as a sole source vendor. In order for the Lexington Police Department helicopter to operate safely, effectively and at the lowest possible cost, a sole source vendor must be established.

Why are you requesting?

Thoroughbred Aviation is located in Georgetown, KY and provides the Police Department service in a rapid manner within minutes of being called. The nearest helicopter service center is located in Piney Flats, TN.

A savings will be recognized by using Thoroughbred Aviation due to being local and avoiding additional cost of flying the helicopter a long distance to be serviced.

The Police Department is requesting approval from the Urban County Council and Mayor Linda Gorton in regards to establishing Thoroughbred Aviation, Bell Helicopter Service Center as a sole source vendor for our Department helicopter.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? No budgetary impact

Are the funds budgeted? N/A

File Number: 0138-21

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

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