



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: July 6, 2023

SUBJECT: Magnet Forensics – Sole Source Certification & Purchase Software System

Request

Authorization to re-establish Magnet Forensics as a sole source vendor and approval of purchase of Magnet Forensics Software.

Why are you requesting?

Magnet Forensics is a digital investigative platform that is the industry standard for recovering digital evidence from smartphones, computers, external storage devices and the Cloud among law enforcement agencies. The LPD has used these devices for many years and the results are accepted by the local court system. No other product has been found to provide better results for a lower cost.

The Police Department is requesting approval from the Urban County Council and Mayor Gorton in regards to re-establishing Magnet Forensics as a sole source vendor, and authorize purchase of Magnet Forensics Software.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years? \$12,000

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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