



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: November 12, 2021

SUBJECT: Sole Source Certification – Magnet Forensics

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**Request**

Authorization to establish Magnet Forensics as a sole source vendor and approval of purchase of Magnet AXIOM Core.

**Why are you requesting?**

Magnet AXIOM 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 establishing Magnet Forensics as a sole source vendor, and authorize purchase of Magnet AXIOM Core.

**What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years?** \$3,550

**Are the funds budgeted?** Yes, 1101-505506-5561-76102

**File Number:** 1193-21

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

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