



City of Boynton Beach Agenda Item Request Form

Meeting Date: 06/ 3/2025

Proposed Resolution No. R25-157- Approve sole-source purchase of software and issue purchase order to Magnet Forensics, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$100,000, contingent upon the execution of an additional funding request submitted under the FY 24-25 FDLE Online Stings grant previously approved under R25-061.

Requested Action: Staff recommends approval of Proposed Resolution No. R25-157.

Explanation of Request: The Boynton Beach Police Department respectfully requests approval for the purchase of specialized forensic software from Magnet Forensics, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000. This expenditure will be fully reimbursed through a grant from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) under the FY 2024–2025 Online Sting Operations grant.

Magnet Forensics has been designated a sole-source provider of critical software used in digital forensic investigations. Their platform is essential for conducting comprehensive and detailed forensic analysis necessary to support the Department's online sting operations. The use of these tools will directly enhance the Department's investigative capabilities, ensure compliance with FDLE operational standards, and improve overall efficiency in case management and evidence processing.

Although the quoted amount for Magnet Forensics, LLC is \$97,780.00, the Department is requesting an allocation of up to \$100,000 to account for potential cost fluctuations due to the current economic climate and prevailing tariffs.

This purchase is being made pursuant to the Sole Source Procurement Exemption outlined in Section X, Alternatives to Formal Sealed Bids, of the procurement policy. This section permits Sole Source Services and Purchases when it is determined that only one viable source is available. Such circumstances may include, but are not limited to, repairs or additions from the original equipment manufacturer, exclusive regional suppliers, franchised or licensed distributors, or proprietary items. The vendor has submitted the required documentation to the City, and the Procurement Division has affirmed that the documentation for this purchase meets the Sole Source Procurement Exemption criteria. Accordingly, the Boynton Beach Police Department seeks approval to proceed with this procurement in accordance with applicable policy and grant guidelines.

How will this affect city programs or services? The purchase of this software for the

Boynton Beach Police Department will have a positive impact on City programs and services, particularly in enhancing public safety efforts. By equipping the department with enhanced software, the department will be better equipped to conduct thorough investigations, especially in online sting operations aimed at combating illegal online activity. This will improve the department's ability to solve crimes, increase successful prosecution rates, and enhance overall safety for the community.

Account Line Item and Description: The account number for the software will be created upon approval of the resolution.

Fiscal Impact:

No impact, the purchase will be reimbursed through FDLE grant.

Attachments:

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