

City of Round Rock



Legislation Text

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Consider a resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an Agreement with Forensic Technology Inc. for ballistic imaging software.

The proposed resolution would approve a \$218,858.00 contract with Forensic Technology Inc. to purchase the IBIS system and an additional five-year warranty on that equipment for the Police Department's Crime Scene Unit. The IBIS system would provide Crime Scene with the ability to capture and store ballistic information and submit it to the National Integrated Ballistic Information Network (NIBIN) database maintained by the federal government.

Since Crime Scene personnel were first trained in submitting NIBIN entries in 2021, nearly 300 bullet casings were submitted into that system by 2023. Nearly one in four of those entries during that time resulted in a lead for investigative cases in the Central Texas region -- not just Round Rock. That result is in part due to criminals using the same weapon to commit crimes in more than one jurisdiction.

Cost: \$218,858.00

Source of Funds: General Fund