

STAFF REPORT

Date: July 26, 2023

To: Mayor and City Council

Thru: Doug Thornley, City Manager

Subject: Staff Report (For Possible Action): Approval of Contract with Blue Cover Six, LLC (BCS) for innovation and technology support to the Reno Police Department in an amount not to exceed \$120,000. (General Fund)

From: Kathryn Nance, Chief of Police

Department: Police Department

Summary:

The Reno Police Department (RPD) has worked with Blue Cover Six LLC (BCS) over the past 10 years to develop and leverage cutting-edge technology and services. This successful collaboration has resulted in the development of close to 30 applications utilized within the RPD. One example includes the public website Renopd.com. This advancement in targeted technology has provided RPD officers with meaningful technology and efficiency-creating tools making their job in the field safer and more efficient through quick access to critical data.

Alignment with Strategic Plan:

Public Safety

Previous Council Action:

September 23, 2020 – Council approved an agreement with Blue Cover Six LLC and the Reno Police Department for computer software services for FY 20/21

August 26, 2019 – Council approved an agreement with Blue Cover Six LL and the Reno Police Department for FY 19/20

June 7, 2017 - Council approved an agreement between Blue Cover Six, LLC and the Reno Police Department for Fiscal Year (FY) 17-18

October 26, 2016 - Council approved an agreement between JBJ Enterprises and the Reno Police Department for Fiscal Year (FY)16/17

Discussion:

The contract for services provides access to two full time IT professionals who specialize in software development. In addition to software development, the contract provides server

administrative support and 24-hour IT emergency response. The collaboration between BCS and the Reno Police Department has yielded over 30 web applications that have become key to the duties of officers in the field. To ensure the department is meeting its mission of community policing, the purpose of custom software is for a more efficient response to calls for service. This is achieved by having real time access to correct data in the context of ongoing police activities prevents officers from waiting and not continuing their duties including dynamic hotsheets of stolen vehicles, continuously updated city and NRS statutes, online briefing logs, and/or missing person reports with images.

Financial Implications:

The contract amount of not to exceed \$120,000 will be expended from General Funds for the fiscal year and is included in the adopted budget.

Legal Implications:

Legal review completed for compliance with City procedures and Nevada law.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends Council approve the contract.

Proposed Motion:

I move to approve staff recommendation.

Attachments:

BCS Contract Final FY 24