

RESOLUTION

Approval of a Three-Year Contract with Scram Systems of Illinois Inc to Provide Court Monitoring (GPS, EM, CAM & Equipment Cost) Services for the 22nd Judicial Circuit Court and Authorization for an Expenditure Over \$30,000.00 (42)

WHEREAS, the Pretrial Fairness Act (PFA), part of the SAFE-T Act, fundamentally changed pretrial practices in Illinois, ending the use of cash bail and focusing on safety and fairness; and

WHEREAS, The PFA allows for the use of electronic monitoring as a condition of pretrial release; and

WHEREAS, Scram Systems of Illinois Inc. uses GSA pricing and is a vendor who could handle multiple types of court ordered monitoring instead of using multiple vendors; and

WHEREAS, Scram Systems of Illinois Inc entered into a Master Agreement with the Circuit Court of the 22nd Judicial Circuit for McHenry County on 12/28/22; and

WHEREAS, expenditures for Scram Systems of Illinois Inc. will exceed \$30,000 in Fiscal Year 2025; and

WHEREAS, the expenditures for electronic monitoring were budgeted for the Fiscal Year 2025 Court Administration budget (414140-40-42-4200-100 Electronic Monitoring) in the amount of \$200,000.00; and

WHEREAS, electronic monitoring services are a necessary expenditure for the administration of justice by the 22nd Judicial Circuit for McHenry County, Illinois.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by this County Board of McHenry County, Illinois, that it hereby authorizes an expenditure in excess of \$30,000.00 to Scram Systems of Illinois Inc for electronic monitoring services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by this County Board of McHenry County, Illinois that said costs shall be paid from the Court Administration FY25 Budget (414140-40-42-4200-100 Electronic Monitoring); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is hereby authorized to distribute a certified copy of this Resolution to the Chief Circuit Judge, Trial Court Administrator, Deputy Court Administrator, McHenry County State's Attorney's Office, McHenry County Public Defender's Office, County Auditor, Director of Procurement and Special Service, Chief Financial Officer, and the County Administrator.

DATED at Woodstock, Illinois, this 15th day of April, A.D., 2025.

Michael Buehler, Chairman
McHenry County Board

ATTEST:

Joseph J. Tirio, County Clerk

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Board / Committee Action Requested:

Approval of an expenditure greater than \$30,000.00 to provide electronic monitoring services to the 22nd Judicial Circuit.

Background and Discussion:

With the implementation of the Pre-Trial/SAFE-T Act, the court utilizes electronic monitoring for criminal defendants to ensure appearance and promote public safety. Electronic monitoring is routinely used as a condition of pre-trial release and is also considered a condition of incarceration of which, criminal defendants get credit for “time served” when subjected to EM.

Impact on Human Resources:

None

Impact on Budget (Revenue, Expenses, Fringe Benefits):

Expenses for electronic monitoring were appropriately budgeted for in the amount of \$200,000 as part of the FY2025 budget process.

Position Reclassification or Regrade, please address the following:

None

Impact on Capital Expenditures:

None

Impact on Physical Space:

None

Impact on Other County Departments or Outside Agencies:

None

Conformity to Board Ordinances, Policies and Strategic Plan:

Yes