



## Legislation Details (With Text)

**File #:** 21-6403      **Version:** 1      **Name:**  
**Type:** Contract - Amendment      **Status:** Passed  
**File created:** 11/15/2021      **In control:** Commissioners Court  
**On agenda:** 11/30/2021      **Final action:** 11/30/2021  
**Title:** Request for approval of a renewal option with LabLynx, Inc. for medical examiner service case data management system for the Institute of Forensic Sciences through November 9, 2022 at no cost to the county (190382).

**Sponsors:**

**Indexes:**

**Code sections:**

**Attachments:** 1. 21-6403 Renewal-LabLynx, Inc.

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
11/30/2021	1	Commissioners Court		

**Department:** Purchasing

**Department Head/Elected Official:** DeWight Dopslauf

**Regular or Supplemental RCA:** Regular RCA

**Type of Request:** Contract - Amendment

**Project ID (if applicable):**

**Vendor/Entity Legal Name (if applicable):** LabLynx, Inc.

**MWDBE Participation (if applicable):**

**Request Summary (Agenda Caption):**

Request for approval of a renewal option with LabLynx, Inc. for medical examiner service case data management system for the Institute of Forensic Sciences through November 9, 2022 at no cost to the county (190382).

**Background and Discussion:**

The Harris County Institute of Forensic Sciences (HCIFS) is undergoing the implementation of a new case management system, a product of LabLynx, Inc. This new system will allow HCIFS to integrate Crime Laboratory and Medical Examiner related information, automatically track evidence to ensure chain of custody, migrate to a paperless solution, and easily share appropriate information to external stakeholders.

**Expected Impact:**

Internal HCIFS users are primarily impacted by the case management systems. External HCIFS stakeholders include 80 different submitting law enforcement agencies, the District Attorney's Office, the Public Defender's Office, private attorneys, hospitals, funeral homes, families, media, researchers, and the public. These external stakeholders routinely rely on information provided by HCIFS.

**Alternative Options:**

The alternative is for HCIFS staff to continue to use its antiquated systems that are past their life expectancy, and continue to pay maintenance costs for two systems.

**Alignment with Goal(s):**

- ☒ X Justice and Safety
- ☐ Economic Opportunity
- ☐ Housing
- ☐ Public Health
- ☐ Transportation
- ☐ Flooding
- ☐ Environment
- ☐ Governance and Customer Service

**Prior Court Action (if any):**

Date	Agenda Item #	Action Taken
11/10/20	21.d.8.s	Approval of contract with LabLynx, Inc.

**Location:**

Address (if applicable): 1861 Old Spanish Trail, Houston, Texas, 77054  
2450 Holcombe, Houston, Texas 77021

Precinct(s): Choose an item.

Fiscal and Personnel Summary				
Service Name		FY 21-22	Estimates	
			FY 22	Next 3 FYs
<b>Incremental Expenditures</b>				
Labor Expenditures		-	-	-
Non-Labor Expenditures		-	-	-
<b>Total Incremental Expenditures</b>		-	-	-
<b>Funding Sources</b> (General Fund, PIC Fund, Debt or CP, Grants, or Other - Please Specify)				
Existing Budget				\$239,850
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>Total Current Budget</b>			-	\$239,850
Additional Budget Requested		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	-	-	-	-
Total Additional Budget Requested	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Funding Sources</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>Personnel</b> (Fill out section only if requesting new PCNs)				
Current Position Count for Service	-	-	-	-
Additional Positions Requested	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Personnel</b>	-	-	-	-

**Anticipated Implementation Date:** 11/30/2021

**Emergency/Disaster Recovery Note:** Not an emergency, disaster, or COVID-19 related item

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**Attachments (if applicable):**