



701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Council Memo

Department Source: Law

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: May 4, 2026

Re: Authorizing a Renewal Agreement with Karpel Computer Systems, Inc. for Law Department Prosecution Division Case Management Software

Impacted Ward: Citywide

Executive Summary

The resolution would authorize the renewal of the Prosecutor by Karpel case management software for the price of \$10,600 per year.

Discussion

The City's Law Department Prosecution Division utilizes Prosecutor by Karpel case management software to process law enforcement reports, manage active cases, conduct e-discovery, and perform e-filing in compliance with Missouri Supreme Court Rules. This software is the most widely used case management system in Missouri, utilized by all county prosecutors and supported by the Missouri Office of Prosecution Services (MOPS). All Missouri courts, including the Columbia Municipal Court, operate on the Show Me Courts (SMC) system, which provides a unified, online platform for accessing public court records. Prosecutor by Karpel interfaces with SMC, enabling compliant e-filing and reducing duplicative data entry between the Prosecution Division and the Municipal Court.

The Prosecution Division initially acquired this software in 2020, and the annual cost to the City has remained at \$8,400 per year since that time. In 2026, Karpel is implementing a pricing adjustment and renewal agreement for all clients, increasing the City's annual support cost to \$10,600.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: The cost of the contract is \$10,600 per year

Long-Term Impact: The annual maintenance is projected to be \$10,600

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Reliable and Sustainable Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Organizational Excellence, Tertiary Impact: Safe Community

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Mobility, Connectivity, and Accessibility, Tertiary Impact: Inter-Governmental Cooperation



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Legislative History

Date	Action
11/09/2020	R152-20 – Authorized data hosting and software licensing and support services agreements with Karpel Computer Systems, Inc. for case management software for the Law Department Prosecution Division.

Suggested Council Action

Adoption of the resolution.