



## Legislation Text

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Resolution to Approve a Purchase Order to Justice AV Solutions, Inc. for Courtroom Technology, Software, and Professional Services for the 15th District Court (\$261,951.79)

Attached for your review and action is a resolution authorizing the creation of a purchase order to Justice AV Solutions, Inc. (JAVS) in the amount of \$261,951.79 for the purchase of JAVS audio and video technology, software, and professional services for the 15<sup>th</sup> District Court courtrooms.

The existing courtroom technology is out-of-date and no longer being supported. The District Court and City IT sought proposals from 3 contractors and visited Washtenaw County courts to examine their courtroom technology. After evaluating all 3 solutions the 15<sup>th</sup> District Court is recommending replacing the current courtroom technology with JAVS software and systems.

JAVS is utilized by Washtenaw County and will provide the following benefits:

- A single courtroom experience for the city and the county when judges and court personnel move between courts.
- Better support and maintenance to court staff. City and County IT staff can collaborate on maintenance and support having the same courtroom systems, thus reducing downtime. Additionally, JAVS has a dedicated Field Service Technician that lives in Michigan and provides onsite service.
- JAVS systems operate on a closed network, thus court recording can occur even if the internet is out.
- Proceedings are recorded on purpose-built recorders, not a personal computer. Therefore, if a courtroom personal computer cannot function, the court can capture the proceedings.
- JAVS can integrate different hearing platforms (in-person, Zoom, hybrid) and evidence presentation into one record.
- JAVS can pull basic case information from the court's case management system into the court recorder's docket log.
- JAVS allows for both digital and analog playback.

Vendor pricing comparison:

- JAVS - \$261,951.79
- Tel Systems - \$246,717.07
- MDIS - \$397,726.20

**Budget/Fiscal Impact:** 15<sup>th</sup> District Court has included and budgeted for the cost of the purchase in FY 2024.

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Reviewed by: Marti Praschan, CFO

Approved by: Milton Dohoney Jr., City Administrator

Whereas, The 15<sup>th</sup> District Court courtroom technology and software is out-of-date and requires

updating;

Whereas, The 15<sup>th</sup> District Court and the City IT department sought proposals from 3 vendors to replace the 15<sup>th</sup> District Court courtroom technology;

Whereas, The 15<sup>th</sup> District Court and City IT evaluated all 3 vendors solutions and Washtenaw County courts courtroom technology;

Whereas, The 15<sup>th</sup> District Court is recommending issuing a purchase order to Justice AV Solutions, Inc. for the replacement of the current 15<sup>th</sup> District Court courtroom technology;

Whereas, Funding for the courtroom technology upgrade is budgeted for and available in the approved FY 2024 15<sup>th</sup> District Court budget; and

Whereas, Justice AV Solutions, Inc. complies with the requirements of the City's Non-Discrimination and Living Wage ordinances;

RESOLVED, That City Council approve a purchase order with Justice AV Solutions, Inc. for the purchase of courtroom technology, software, and professional services for the replacement of courtroom technology in all 15<sup>th</sup> District Court courtrooms in the amount of \$261,951.79;

RESOLVED, That the amounts authorized herein may be used without regard to fiscal year; and

RESOLVED, That the City Administrator be authorized to take all necessary actions to implement this resolution.