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Williamson County Commissioners Court

Re: Sole Source recommendation for Transcend Tactical

Dear County Judge and Commissioners,

Recently our county Sheriff's Office made a request for qualifying the **sole source purchase of a Vantage F3 Robot and non-lethal deployment system components from Transcend Tactical**. This robot is capable of carrying 250 pounds and dragging over 400 pounds providing the Sheriff's Office the ability to rescue downed officers or citizens in highly dangerous environments without placing deputies at risk. Transcend Tactical is an advanced robotic company holding two (2) patents regarding the Vantage F3 Robot and it's ability to navigate stairs and other complicated obstacles.

After reviewing all documentation requested and provided to me, **I recommend qualifying this request as a sole source purchase, per Texas Local Government Code sections 262.003 (a) and 262.024.(a)(7).**

The process has included the following:

- A signed Sole Source Justification Request
- A letter of justification from the supplier, establishing why their product/service is only available from their company
- A notarized Sole Source Affidavit completed by the supplier
- A signed letter of recommendation from Robert Chody, Williamson County Sheriff
- Purchasing Department research to find similar product/services for competitive comparison. No other resource matched the full capabilities of the Transcend Tactical robot.
- Price quote of \$30,450

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at any time.

Sincerely,

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