



COMMISSIONERS COURT  
COMMUNICATION

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DATE: 04/16/2024

SUBJECT: **NORTHPOINTE, INC. D/B/A EQUIVANT - COMPAS  
CLASSIFICATION SOFTWARE APPLICATION AND  
MAINTENANCE SERVICES - SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

**\*\*\* CONSENT AGENDA \*\*\***

**COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED**

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve renewal of Northpointe, Inc. d/b/a equivant as sole source for Northpointe, Inc.'s COMPAS Classification software application and maintenance services, for the Sheriff's Office.

**BACKGROUND**

On April 21, 2020, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #132638, approved Northpointe, Inc. d/b/a equivant as sole source for COMPAS classification software application and maintenance services.

COMPAS Classification software provides critical inmate management information to help support all aspects of a jail's classification operations.

Northpointe, Inc. d/b/a equivant provided the Purchasing Agent documentation that they are the sole source for COMPAS Classification software application, known as Northpointe Suite. Northpointe Suite is proprietary and copyrighted by Northpointe, Inc. Northpointe, Inc. is the only company authorized to provide this software application to criminal justice agencies. This includes all professional service delivery and ongoing support and maintenance of the product.

Under the County Purchasing Act, exemptions to the competitive bidding requirements are allowed for certain types of purchases. The statutes require that the Purchasing Agent advise the Commissioners Court of the existence of only one (1) source, with such notice to be entered into the minutes of the Court.

Accordingly, the above item has been determined to be sole source under the County Purchasing Act 262.024(a) (7) as follows:

- “(7) an item can be obtained from only one (1) source, including:  
(A) items for which competition is precluded because of the existence of patents, copyrights, secret processes, or monopolies.”

SUBMITTED BY:	Purchasing	PREPARED BY: APPROVED BY:	Kehinde Olugbile Chris Lax, CPSM, CPSD, CPCP
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## **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funding in the amount of \$62,610.01 is available in account 10000-2024 General Fund/1810410000 Application Develop/Support/578025 Software Maintenance and Licenses.