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From: Chief Ivan Washington

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Regarding: **Sole Source Justification:** Central Square Report Management System, (RMS), and an E-Ticketing system, for the Park Ranger Division

The Ranger Division has been formally advised by the Honorable Judge James Witteman (Division 301) of Jackson County and Ms. Brittainy Simmons of the Prosecutor's Office that, pursuant to a state mandate effective August 2022, all law enforcement agencies are required to electronically file citations into the state database. Furthermore, Jackson County Information Technology has confirmed that, effective in 2024, it will discontinue support for the Ranger Division's current Records Management System (RMS), identified as SEIMS (Safety Enforcement Information Management System). In May 2022, the legislature authorized a contract with Central Square to provide the Sheriff's Office with a Records Management System, an E-Ticketing platform, and other integrated solutions to support their operational requirements.

Central Square has been approved by the State of Missouri for the processing of electronic tickets, eliminating the need for Rangers to manually issue and duplicate citations for the Prosecutor's Office. This transition enhances officer safety during citizen contacts while streamlining operations. Additionally, the adoption of Central Square will improve information sharing, as the Jackson County Sheriff's Department and surrounding agencies are already utilizing the same platform. This will significantly strengthen our department's interoperability, ensuring that reports can be securely shared and accessed in a more efficient manner. As a result, the Ranger Division will be able to review surrounding agencies' reports in a timelier fashion, thereby enhancing our ability to provide quality service to park patrons when needed.

The Ranger Division has previously received approval by Resolution to proceed with Central Square as our Records Management System and E-Ticketing platform, ensuring compliance with state requirements. Central Square has submitted an invoice in the amount of \$18,785.58 for the annual subscription fee under the current budget cycle. The cost will be paid from line item 003-1605-56663.

Chief Ivan Washington
Superintendent of Park Safety



Frank White, Jr., County Executive