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The Honorable Detroit City Council

## **RE: ACQUISITION OF A BELL 407 HELICOPTER**

The Detroit Police Department ("DPD") hereby requests the approval and authorization from your Honorable Body to acquire from Bell Textron Inc.("Bell"), a Texas corporation a pre-owned Bell 407 Helicopter for an amount not to exceed two million three hundred thousand dollars (\$2.3 million).

DPD needs this helicopter to conduct police mission operations and to upgrade its severely aging inventory of helicopters. The helicopter was identified through a competitive selection process. The purchase price is subject to possible reductions to be finally negotiated after the City has conducted its inspections and other due diligence. American Rescue Plan Act grant funds will be used for the purchase.

We therefore hereby request that your Honorable Body adopt the attached Resolution approving the acquisition of the Helicopter and authorizing the Chief of Police, or an authorized designee, to execute documents to effectuate the purchase of the Bell 407 Helicopter from Bell. To expedite the acquisition of the Helicopter by DPD, a waiver of reconsideration is requested.

Sincerely,

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## RESOLUTION

BY COUNCIL MEMBE	R		

**WHEREAS**, the City of Detroit, acting through its Police Department ("<u>DPD</u>"), wishes to acquire from Bell Textron, Inc, a Texas corporation ("Bell"), a certain Bell 407 Helicopter (the "Helicopter") for a purchase price not to exceed two million three hundred thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$2,300,000.00); and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 4-122 of the 2012 Detroit City Charter, City Council's approval by its resolution is required for the purchase of property and services by the City; and now, therefore, it is

**RESOLVED**, that this City Council hereby approves the acquisition of the Helicopter from Bell for its use by DPD, and the payment to Bell of the purchase price not to exceed two million three hundred thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$2,300,000.00), and the payment of customary and usual closing costs, all of which are to be paid using the American Rescue Plan Act, State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, CDFA No. 21.027; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the DPD Police Chief, or an authorized designee, be and hereby is authorized (1) to accept and record title to the City of Detroit for the Helicopter, (2) to accept, execute, and deliver any and all documents as may be necessary or convenient to effectuate the acquisition of the Helicopter, and (3) to pay such other necessary and customary closing costs payable in connection with the acquisition of such goods and services; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the DPD Chief, or an authorized designee, is authorized to execute any documents necessary or convenient, and to make and incorporate minor amendments, modifications, and/or changes to the purchase agreement or any other document in connection with the acquisition of the Helicopter in the event that it is discovered that changes are prudent or are required to correct minor inaccuracies or due to unforeseen circumstances or technical matters that may arise prior to transfer of title to the Helicopter, provided that any such amendment, modification, or change is not materially inconsistent with this Resolution and is approved by the Law Department.

A WAIVER OF RECONSIDERATION IS REQUESTED.