



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** This ordinance authorizes the Public Safety Director to enter into the second year of the contract with Leads Online LLC for access to the company's Automated Scrap Materials and Used Goods Transaction Information Management System. This system allows for online electronic reporting system for all pawnshop, secondhand and scrap metal dealers in Columbus, and nationwide access to pawn/secondhand transaction information, report and searches. The company maintains records from all participants operating as licensed scrap metal facilities located in the continental United States and makes the information available to the Columbus Division of Police for investigative searches of stolen goods, especially scrap metal. The terms of the contract state that the city has the right to renew the contract on its anniversary date for an additional two (2), one (1) year terms. This will be the first of the two allowable renewals.

Ordinance 0441-2007, passed in July 2007, amended Columbus City Codes to provide licensing and regulation of scrap metal dealers and ensures that motor vehicles and metal sold as scrap are legitimately owned by the seller.

**Contract Compliance** - 421720332, expiration date February 2, 2017

**Emergency Designation:** Emergency legislation is requested in order to allow the Division of Police uninterrupted access to the data base for investigative purposes.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** This ordinance authorizes an expenditure of \$64,400.00 from the General Fund for an Automated Scrap Materials and Used Goods Transaction Information Management System. This amount was budgeted in the Division of Police's 2016 General Fund budget. Total amount spent on this system in 2015 was \$64,400.00. Total amount spent on this system in 2014 was \$64,400.00. Passage of this ordinance is contingent on approval of the 2016 general fund budget by City Council.

To authorize and direct the Public Safety Director to enter into contract with Leads Online LLC for access to the company's Automated Scrap Materials and Used Goods Transaction Information Management System; to authorize the expenditure of \$64,400.00 from the General Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$64,400.00)

**WHEREAS,** residential and commercial burglaries, the theft of motor vehicles, motor vehicle parts and various types of metal materials that have value as scrap metal are a significant problem for law enforcement agencies, contractors and builders, utility providers, business owners, home owners and the citizens of Columbus; and

**WHEREAS,** ordinance 0441-2007 passed in July 2007 provides for licensing and regulation of scrap metal dealers to help ensure that motor vehicles and metals sold as scrap metal are legitimately owned by the seller and not stolen property; and

**WHEREAS,** this ordinance seeks to assist in the recovery of stolen property by contracting with Leads Online LLC for access to their online data base to help the Division of Police in their investigations; and

**WHEREAS,** funds of \$64,400.00 are budgeted and available in the General Fund for this contract; and

**WHEREAS,** an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Division of Police, Department of Public Safety, in that it is immediately necessary to enter into contract with Leads Online LLC for access to a data base that will aid in the apprehension of criminals for the preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety, welfare; now, therefore

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:**

**SECTION 1.** That the Public Safety Director be and is hereby authorized and directed to enter into contract with Leads Online LLC for access to their Automated Scrap Materials and Used Goods Transaction Information Management System.

**SECTION 2.** That the expenditure of \$64,000.00 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in the General Fund in object class 03 Contractual Services per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 3.** That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.