

Resolution



City Council
City of Wilmington
North Carolina

Introduced By: Rebecca L. Hawke, City Manager

Date: 8/4/2026

**Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into an Agreement with
Patterson Pope, Inc. for \$170,557 for Additional High-Density Mobile Storage
System Components for the WPD Property and Evidence Division**

LEGISLATIVE INTENT/PURPOSE:

WHEREAS, WPD maintains custody of thousands of items of property and evidence collected during criminal investigations, arrests, and crime scene processing; and,

WHEREAS, the secure storage and proper management of property and evidence are critical to preserving the chain of custody, ensuring compliance with legal and evidentiary standards, and maintaining the integrity and admissibility of evidence for use by the District Attorney's Office during criminal proceedings; and,

WHEREAS, additional storage capacity is necessary to accommodate the increasing volume of property and evidence collected by the Property and Evidence Division ("P&E"), and expanding storage capacity will ensure that all items are securely maintained in accordance with legal requirements, departmental policies, and evidence management best practices, while preserving the integrity of the chain of custody; and,

WHEREAS, WPD currently utilizes mobile storage systems manufactured by Patterson Pope, Inc. within P&E, so the proposed high-density mobile storage system will be fully compatible with the WPD's existing storage infrastructure; and,

WHEREAS, the cost of the high-density mobile storage system is \$170,557, and sufficient funds are available within WPD's FY27 budget to support this purchase.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT, the City Manager is authorized to enter into an agreement with Patterson Pope, Inc. for the purchase of the high-density mobile storage system for the WPD's Property and Evidence Division.

Adopted at a _____ meeting

On _____ 2026.

Attest:

Penelope Spicer-Sidbury, City Clerk

Bill Saffo, Mayor

Approved As To Availability of
Funds:

Finance Director

Approved As To Form:

City Attorney