

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Email Software License

DATE OF MEETING: June 23, 2026

BUDGET IMPACT: \$31,886.40

FUNDING SOURCE:

- Annual
- Capital
- N/A
- SPLOST
- TSPLOST

Work
Session/Regular
Session

COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Email Software License

HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: The County's current email platform has reached end-of-life and is no longer receiving updates or support from Microsoft. Additionally, Microsoft has discontinued the traditional on-premises Exchange upgrade model that the County has utilized in the past. After evaluating the available options, migrating to Microsoft's Exchange Online email platform is the most practical and sustainable solution. This platform provides ongoing security updates, improved disaster recovery capabilities, and more rapid access to the latest features. Unlike previous versions that required periodic software upgrades, the online solution operates under an annual licensing model that requires yearly renewal.

Included is the Microsoft Volume Licensing Agreement for the proposed licensing. Microsoft products are available through the State of Georgia contract, with Dell serving as the authorized reseller for Microsoft licensing under that agreement.

OPTIONS: 1. Approve
2. Board's Pleasure

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Board's Pleasure

DEPARTMENT: ITS

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Aaron Kostyu

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: