



## Takoma Park City Council Meeting – July 12, 2017 Agenda Item 4C

### **Voting Session**

Single Reading Ordinance Authorizing the Purchase of IT Server Equipment, Software and Installation

### **Recommended Council Action**

Approve ordinance for purchase of IT server equipment, software and installation

### **Context with Key Issues**

The FY 2017 Equipment Replacement Reserve included \$64,000 to replace and upgrade IT servers that have reached the end of their useful lives. The project involves completion of the consolidation of servers into the City's existing VMware environment. These servers are used by Public Works, the Library, Police Department, and the Information Systems Division.

More specifically, the project includes replacement of our storage array with 21 TBs of enterprise grade storage, repurposing our existing network access storage system as a backup, installing and configuring new VMware host memory, installing and configuring new backup and replication software, and establishing new file servers and configuring them for central management.

City Code 7.08.070 (D) states that competitive bidding is not required when "one available source for the good, service or construction item or if a specific manufacturer's product is required to ensure compatibility with existing installed equipment." A company called InfoSys installed our existing VMware equipment and configured the system and environment, and proceeding with InfoSys will ensure compatibility as we complete the work they started. Also, the company that developed the storage array equipment (Nimble Storage) will only issue a single quote per client, regardless of the vendor through which it is being purchased. We can purchase this piece of equipment through InfoSys for \$29,280, whereas the quote we received through a vendor who has the same equipment for sale from their inventory was \$68,221. For these reasons, InfoSys is approved as a sole source provider.

Based on the scope of work, the total cost of the equipment and work is expected to be \$48,966.98.

### **Council Priority**

Engaged, responsive and service oriented government

### **Environmental Impact of Action**

Upgrade and consolidation of servers will likely result in a reduction of energy use at the Community Center and Public Works.

**Fiscal Impact of Action**

The FY 2017 Equipment Replacement Reserve budget includes \$64,000 for this project. We expect to spend about \$49,000 to complete the work detailed above and request approval to spend up to that amount. The project funds are being carried forward to FY 2018 through the first FY 2018

budget amendment. The request for this purchase was reviewed and recommended for approval by the City's Technology Steering Committee.

**Racial Equity Impact Statement**

We do not believe that this Council action will disproportionately impact a particular racial group.

**Attachments and Links**

Single Reading Ordinance Authorizing the Purchase of IT Server Equipment, Software and Installation

Introduced by:

Single Reading Ordinance

**CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2017-**

**AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF IT SERVER EQUIPMENT, SOFTWARE AND  
INSTALLATION**

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Year 2017 Equipment Replacement Reserve budget included \$64,000 for IT server equipment, software and installation; and

WHEREAS, these funds for the project are being carried forward to the FY 2018 budget; and

WHEREAS, the entire project is expected to cost \$48,966.98; and

WHEREAS, InfoSys has been deemed a sole source provider for this project; and

WHEREAS, the City's Technology Steering Committee reviewed the proposal for this project ahead of the development of the FY 2017 budget and recommended that the project be approved.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND THAT:

SECTION 1. The City Manager or her designee is authorized to enter into an agreement with InfoSys to purchase IT server equipment, software and installation.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017 by roll-call vote as follows:

AYE:

NAY:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: