Voting Session (Consent Agenda)
Single Reading Ordinance Authorizing the Purchase of Information Systems Equipment

Recommended Council Action
Approve single reading ordinance authorizing the purchase of Cisco Meraki Network Switches and Firewalls

Context with Key Issues
The Fiscal Year 2019 budget includes $160,000 for the purchase of new IT Network Switches and a Next Generation Firewall. A “network switch” is a computer networking device that connects multiple devices together over a computer network. A firewall, simply put, provides security for the network. The Information Technology Manager has evaluated options and recommends purchase and installation of Cisco Meraki Switches and Firewall to replace the existing switches and associated software that have reached the end of their useful lives.

The total purchase amount for the equipment, software, and installation is expected to total $158,167.62. The Cisco Meraki switches and firewalls will be purchased through CDW-G for $128,167.62. The purchase will be made through a cooperative purchase contract (CDW-G GSA, GS-35F-0195J). The configuration and installation of the switches and firewalls will be done by the IT department staff and outside vendors at an estimated cost of $30,000.

Council Priority
Fiscally Sustainable Government

Environmental Considerations
We do not believe there would be environmental impacts resulting from the replacement of the switches and firewalls.

Fiscal Considerations
This item authorizes total spending in the amount of $158,167.62.

Racial Equity Considerations
We are unable to determine whether any group would be disproportionately impacted in a positive or negative way by this action.

Attachments and Links
- Single Reading Ordinance
CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-

AUTHORIZING PURCHASES OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS ITEMS

WHEREAS, $160,000 was included in the FY 2019 budget for the replacement of IT Network switches and firewall that have reached the end of their useful lives; and

WHEREAS, the Cisco Meraki Switches and Firewall can be purchased through a cooperative purchase contract via CDW-G for $128,167.62; and

WHEREAS, the configuration and installation of the Cisco Meraki switches and firewalls will be done by IT department staff and outside vendors at an estimated cost of $30,000.

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 CDW-G for the purchase of Cisco Meraki Network Switches and Firewalls for $158,167.62.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately.

Adopted this ____ day of __________, 2018 by roll-call vote as follows:

AYE:
NAY:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT: