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Cloud Email Security

CAPTION:

Motion authorizing a three-year license agreement with Great South Texas Corp dba Computer Solutions for the amount of \$162,849.00 for the purchase of Cisco Cloud Email Security (CES) subscription license, effective upon issuance of a notice to proceed, with FY 2020 funding in the amount of \$162,849.00 available through the Information Technology fund.

SUMMARY:

This motion authorizes a license agreement with Great South Texas Corp dba Computer Solutions for the purchase of Cisco Cloud Email Security (CES) subscription license for email security to be used by City employees to protect the Office 365 outlook environment.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

Using Cisco CES services, provides the City email filtering for malicious files and Uniform Resource Location's (URL). Along with the filtering, the City can use the service to protect sensitive information by encrypting emails and attachments. The Information Technology Department (IT) is currently running this cloud base software on a free trial concept and has found it to be beneficial to the City.

IT reached out to the Contracts and Procurement Department to issue a long-term contract through the Department of Information Resources (DIR) Cooperative. Contracts awarded through the DIR Cooperative have been competitively procured, in compliance with Texas local and state procurement requirements.

ALTERNATIVES:

An alternative would be not to have the license subscription and risk email security to protect Office 365 outlook environment.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact for IT in FY 2020 is an amount not to exceed \$162,849.00 for a threeyear license subscription.

Funding Detail:

Fund: Organization/Activity: Mission Element: Project # (CIP Only): Account: 5210 Info Tech 40420 IT Tech Instrastructure Service 241 Prvd Support Technology Infrastructure **n/a** 520105 Computer Software

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this motion authorizing a three-year license subscription with Great South Texas Corp dba Computer Solutions.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Service Agreement Price Sheet