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Subject:

Enterprise Anti-Virus Solution

Summary:

Requesting authorization and approval of the following:

Authorization and approval of a competitive procurement exemption pursuant to Sec. 2-226(g) (12) of the City code.

Authorization and approval to issue a purchase order and process payment(s) to Southern Computer Warehouse, Inc., for a total amount of \$40,734.07 (see attached quote for additional details).

Procurement:

Notwithstanding the obvious benefit and public interest served by having all purchases submitted to competitive procurement, circumstances can arise when the city may determine that competitive procurement is impractical, or that there is no need for the city to seek competitive procurement, or the city may determine that there is an overriding public interest to waive competitive procurement.

Given the sensitive nature of the requested services and with the goal of still obtaining competitive pricing-the City determined it was prudent and in its best interest to seek competitive quotes from known, trusted vendors rather than issue a public solicitation. For this reason, we are requesting a waiver of the City's competitive procurement process pursuant to Section 2-226(g)(12) of the City Code.

The IT Department informally solicited quotes from three (3) known and trusted vendors as follows:

VENDORS	TOTALS
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Southern Computer Warehouse (SCW)	\$40,734.07
Insight Public Sector	\$40,815.90
StrictlyTech	\$41,478.42

In accordance with Florida Statute 119.0725, Agency cybersecurity information; public records exemption; public meeting exemption, the backup materials for this agenda item are exempt from public disclosure.

Based on the foregoing, the Information Technology and Procurement Departments requests authorization and approval of the following:

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Background:

Strategic Priority: Sustainability.

The City's Information Technology Department utilizes its Enterprise Anti-Virus solution as the primary endpoint detection and response (EDR) platform to protect City systems from malware, ransomware, and advanced cyber threats. This security solution provides real-time monitoring, behavioral threat detection, and rapid incident response across all City-owned computers and servers, significantly strengthening the City's overall cybersecurity posture. The Enterprise Anti-Virus platform plays a critical role in safeguarding sensitive municipal and public safety data by detecting and containing threats before they can disrupt operations or compromise information. Renewal of this platform ensures continued protection, regulatory compliance, and uninterrupted security coverage for essential City systems.

This item is now ready for City Council consideration.

Funding:

Account No.

- 001-2300-513-4607

Amount:

\$40,734.07

Finance Director/Budget Manager Recommendation:

The Information Technology Department budgeted \$34,200 in FY2026 for the Enterprise Anti-Virus Solution. The actual cost exceeded the budgeted amount by \$6,534.07. Per the department director, the additional expense will be offset by savings realized from Cyber Incident Management services.

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ATTACHMENTS: