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To: Judge Keith Self  
Commissioner Fletcher  
Commissioner Williams  
Commissioner Hill  
Commissioner Webb  
Bill Bilyeu

From: Monika Arris, Budget and Finance Director

Date: May 8, 2017

Re: Agenda Item No. 43161 for the Open DNS Project and Budget Amendment

The Budget and Finance Department has researched this request through the FY 2018 Budget Process. Included below are additional questions from Budget and responses from Information Technology.

Questions & Answers:

1. The request is for 3 years of a cloud based service. Will all 3 years be purchased upfront in the 1st year?
  - A. The county will receive a large discount if we purchase all three years upfront. Once we complete the first three years, we could renew for three more years or yearly.
2. Could this be adopted as a re-occurring subscription with funding for 1 year?
  - A. Yes, this could be adopted as a recurring cost.
3. You mention 1 example, have there been other occurrences? How many? What is the potential threat to the County?
  - A. I am sure it is happening here at the County but we don't have the tools in place to catch this vulnerability. The only reason we caught this threat is that someone's payroll was affected. With this tool, we would be able to see these threats and be able to address them as needed.

Additional Comments from IT:

If this request is denied, the county would be at risk for attacks from the outside and inside.

Additional Comments from B&F:

Request is for 3 years of cloud services that would be paid up-front. Can adopt funding for 1 year and budget in Non-Departmental Software Maintenance yearly. Cost if budgeted yearly is unknown, but 3 year agreement works out to around \$43,333/ year for all components.