

# Memorandum 

To: Honorable Mayor and Village Council
Thru: James M. Weinand, Acting Village Manager
From: (Brad Gomberg, Director - Information Technology)
Date: $\quad 1 / 16 / 2019$
Subject: Firewall Replacement

Our current firewall hardware is over 10 years old and recently went EOL (end-of-life) on September 30th of this year. The lack of available direct support options, in addition to advances in security through new technology is driving force in replacing the existing hardware. You will find the attached request to approve the purchase of a new, highly available (redundant) Palo Alto firewall solution, in addition to all applicable security and management products and services required to secure the Village's network infrastructure.

Palo Alto products have been recognized year after year as a global leader in cybersecurity products. This project is being proposed by PCS (PC Solutions \& Integration Inc.) who's portfolio of work in this space is impressive, and it is my belief that the technology presented in this proposal is the best choice to secure the Village's network. PCS has assigned a high level engineer, normally assigned to much more complex projects, whose experience and knowledge will be critical in providing the most secure configuration. In addition, I believe their scope of work is a thorough and accurate representation of the work required to complete the job.

This item is quoted off of the State of Florida Contract\# 43220000-WSCA-14-ACS. The total cost of this item is $\$ 49,574.14$ and funding for this item was anticipated and is budgeted in the amount of $\$ 50,000$ across multiple departments as seen below.

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| $\$ 12,100$ | $\$ 17,211$ | $\$ 3,086$ | $\$ 8,025$ | $\$ 926$ | $\$ 1,852$ | $\$ 6,800$ |

On behalf of the Village Manager and staff, this agenda item is submitted for your review and consideration. Your approval will authorize the Village Manager to execute any agreements and authorize the purchase of this item.

