City of Bel Aire

DATE: February 14, 2024
TO: Ty Lasher, City Manger
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SUBJECT: Security Shield Enrollment Proposal

Background
Due to increased cybersecurity threats to organizations in the State of Kansas, the City's IT provider, ImagineIT, is proposing enrollment in their Security Shield program.

Analysis

Based on the evolution of security over the past 2 to 3 years and in connection with increased requirements to obtain and retain Cyber Insurance, it's important for the City to increase the security posture to maintain a Safe and Stable security environment. The increase in security will allow for layers of security on top of the front line and monitoring that is already in place. There will be several increased vulnerabilities scanning remediation tools, both auto and human led. These scans, tools, clean-up allow for more layers of protection than just one. It's not unlike a defense in Football, when a runner gets past the defensive line, there's linebackers and safeties there to stop the runner. This is the same type of implementation, only with technological security.

There will also be a user-led remediation implementation. Tools will be implemented that will scan from known malicious sites, malicious content, and log in attempts from foreign countries (China, Russia) or log in attempts don't correspond with each other (log in from Bel-Aire then a log in attempt from New York).

Financial

$1,989.20 recurring, $6,000 one-time cost out of the General Fund Budget.

Recommendations/Actions
It is recommended the City Council accept the proposal as presented.

Attachments: Proposal