



**CITY COMMISSION  
STAFF REPORT**

**DEPARTMENT:** Finance

**SUBJECT:** Motion to Approve Purchase of Network Switches (**Finance**)

**CITY MANAGER RECOMMENDATION:**

The City Manager recommends approval of the purchase of Network Switches piggybacking the current National Association of State Procurement Officials Cooperative Procurement Program (NASPO ValuePoint) contract from Dell.

**BACKGROUND OF ITEM:**

The IT Division of Finance is responsible for the operation, maintenance, and improvement of the City's Network Infrastructure. The City currently uses Dell switches for its core network to provide one of the primary components of these systems.

This replaces core switches that are required to maintain network connectivity of the current systems. The existing system is the End of Service Life (EOSL). As such, patches are not available and the switches will no longer be supported by the vendor. The system is therefore vulnerable to cybersecurity attacks and more prone to frequent repairs and maintenance down time.

At the October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021 meeting, there was consensus from the Commission to consider this as an eligible project funded by ARPA. Staff received a quote from Dell Network for the equipment.

**ANALYSIS:**

The staff has examined several systems and Dell Network Switches will best suit the City's needs.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The total cost is \$37,967.04.

<u>General Ledger Acct. Number</u>	<u>Budgeted Amount</u>	<u>Requested Amount</u>	<u>Remaining Amount</u>
ARPA	\$0.00	\$37,967.04	\$0.00

**ALTERNATIVES:**

Not replacing the current switches. However, that would put us at risk from a cybersecurity standpoint.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Dell Quote
2. State of Florida Participating Agreement
3. Dell Price List
4. Cooper City Vendor Compliance