

City Council Meeting

Agenda Item

Data Sheet

Meeting Date: April 21, 2025

Topic:

Approve the expenditure of greater than \$50,000 with Waypoint Solutions for the firewall replacement, replacement backup server, required annual warranty maintenance for key networking solutions, and consulting services, for a total amount of \$101,032.62 (increasing the total annual vendor spend and not-to-exceed amount to \$188,634.71), approve the expenditure of funds thereof, and authorize the City Manager to execute any and all documents related to the purchase. These expenditures are included in the FY 2024-2025 budget.

Background:

Waypoint Solutions plays a critical role in supporting the City of Tomball's information technology and cybersecurity infrastructure. Our city depends on their expertise for strategic IT consulting, as well as the procurement of essential hardware and software required to maintain vital city systems.

In the current fiscal year, two significant IT projects are planned alongside the routine annual maintenance tasks. Notably, the upgrade of the core firewall to provide a highly available and faster backbone for the City's network and the replacement of the aging backup server (DIR-CPO-5792). In addition, the required yearly warranty licensing renewals for services like our servers, backup software, all network and voice services.

To complete and maintain our operational needs, staff recommend approving the proposed expenditure with Waypoint Solutions, our preferred pricing vendor for these required solutions. In addition to the DIR contract for the backup server, the other software and hardware will be purchased through the Choice Partners Cooperative (22/041KN02).

Service	Amount
Previously Approved Expenditures for City Services	
Artic Wolf MDR, FortiVoice Hardware, Licensing and Consulting	\$87,602.09
Additional Planned/Budgeted Expenditures	
Budgeted Replacement Backup Server*	\$18,093.61
Budgeted Firewall Update	\$17,855.28
Budgeted Fortinet Warranty Renewal	\$7,795.56
Backup Storage add-on for Cloud Storage	\$624.40
Budgeted FortiVoice/FortiFone Warranty Renewal	\$4,360.97
Budgeted VEEAM Backup Software	\$13,812.80
Budgeted VMWare Renewal	\$26,490.00
Estimated Consulting Services (including contingency)	\$12,000.00
Total	\$188,634.71

* DIR Contract DIR-CPO-5792

Origination: Information Technology

