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Agenda Item No. 48G

Roll Call No. <u>16-0598</u> Communication No. <u>16-168</u>

Submitted by: John Newman, CIO,

Information Technology

Department

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval of three (3) years of annual subscription and support from Varonis for Microsoft Active Directory from EmbarkIT, Inc, (Anita Messerschmidt, Owner)1854 Fuller Road, West Des Moines, IA 50265.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommending approval of three (3) years of annual subscription and support from Varonis for Microsoft Active Directory management system used for auditing and reporting. EmbarkIT is the manufacturer's designated local support provider. Purchasing three (3) years of annual subscription and support will protect the City from potential price increases during that term.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$84,357

<u>Funding Source:</u> FY2017 Operating Budget, Information Technology Department, Enterprise Application Development, G001, IT152000, page 129.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Varonis is a software management system that is used for internal management of Active Directory. Active Directory is a Microsoft Windows directory service that facilitates working with network resources in a unified manner. It allows storage of user accounts and passwords in one (1) protected location. The Varonis software provides a comprehensive look at all user's rights and is used to ensure that a user not only has the rights they need, but that they do not have inappropriate rights that allow them to modify or delete sensitive data. Varonis provides auditing, reports and alerts on changes to critical security groups, users, group policies, organizational units and other Active Directory objects.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: February 23, 2015

Roll Call Number: 15-0321

Action: Approving bids from the following:

(C) <u>EmbarkIT</u> (Anita Messerschmidt, Owner/President) for Varonis file system auditing and data protection software as requested by the IT Department, \$178,766. (Seven bids mailed, two received). Moved by Coleman to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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