


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	20-071	Meeting:	February 24, 2020
	Agenda Item:	38	Roll Call:	20-0355
	Submitted by:	Anna W. Whipple, CIO, Information Technology Director		

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval of purchase of Cisco network hardware from Heartland Business Systems, (Peter Helander CEO, 108 3rd Street, Suite 300, Des Moines, Iowa. 50309) per State of Iowa Contract AR233, which is competitively bid.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of the purchase of Cisco network hardware from Heartland Business Systems, per the State of Iowa pricing agreement for equipment which is competitively bid. This purchase will allow the Information Technology (IT) Department to move forward with the next phase of replacing aging network firewall equipment that is essential to maintaining reliable and secure network infrastructure to support City operations.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$108,043

Funding Source: CIP FY2019/20-2024/25, MSC001, C051IT99, Miscellaneous Improvements Enhanced City-wide Information and Communication Systems, page 7.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- This equipment will be used in the next phase of upgrading and maintaining the City's network. As the overall usage of cloud-based services and hosted applications have increased, it is imperative to ensure that the City's network security platforms have the capabilities and performance to meet the City's demands for services located on the Internet and between our partners. The new hardware provides increased bandwidth, more efficient management, and improved security capabilities.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: August 10, 2015

Roll Call Number: [15-1361](#)

Action: Approving Bids from the following:

- (D) [Heartland](#) Business Systems (Ben Turner, CEO) for replacement CISCO network hardware for use at the Municipal Service Center per State of Iowa contract as requested by the IT Department, \$135,506.30. ([Council Communication No. 15-439](#)) Moved by Gray to adopt; refer to the City Manager to review the City's policies for items when purchased utilizing the State contract. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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