



Health & Human Services Agency COUNTY OF TULARE AGENDA ITEM

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AGENDA DATE: A	∖pril	1,	2008
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SUBJECT:

Approve changes to the fixed asset computer budget for Health and Human Services Agency.

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

For the Fiscal Year 2007/2008 budget, approve substitution of the purchase of eleven CALWIN servers instead of nine Uninterrupted Power Supplies (UPS), six network switches and electrical power upgrades to the Government Plaza Datacenter

SUMMARY:

For the Fiscal Year 2007/2008 budget, your board approved \$573,400 of computer equipment to improve services and replace old portions of the county data network. This equipment was scheduled to be installed in those portions of the network supporting the Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA).

CALWIN is the welfare data system used by this county and 17 others to determine eligibility and track benefits for welfare clients. WCDS/CALWIN Consortium of counties was originally planning to move to a web based solution that would not require local servers. In the present budget shortfall at the State, the State withdrew support for the web solution. This left the CALWIN counties with local servers that were at the end of their lives and needed to be replaced. The State has recently agreed to replace the local servers.

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Due to the agreements between the WCDS/CALWIN Consortium and the state, we need to order the replacement servers this year for full reimbursement. The State has approved reimbursement starting with Fiscal Year 2007/2008 and continuing the following four fiscal years. In addition, due to the limited resources on the part of vendor (EDS) and the timing of providing the information to the Counties, some counties will not be able to get the new servers installed this year. EDS will create their install schedule based upon the order that purchase orders are received. The possibility exists that counties that install next year will not be able to claim full cost of the replacement servers.

- 1. To get to the front of the line, HHSA staff submitted a purchase order based upon the existing Human Services 7013 budget authority. This has moved us to the number three slot for the installation of the servers.
- 2. To accommodate the purchase of the servers without increasing the budget, HHSA proposes the following changes:
 - -Presently we have budgeted 10 UPS battery backup systems at \$22,000 each. Propose that we reduce this to one. This will allow us to improve the battery back-up at the MediCAL Processing Center, the only HHSA office presently with Voice over IP telephones (VoIP). We can include the larger UPS's for the other offices when we provide VoIP for them.
 - -HHSA budgeted for 32 replacement network switches at \$7,700 each, propose reducing this to 26 switches. We can complete the switch replacement project with FY08/09 funds.
 - -Originally proposed \$100,000 for power upgrades to the Government Plaza Data Center. We can more aggressively consolidate servers to reduce the power load and delay this upgrade for two years.

These changes reserve the \$343,000 that we need to cover the purchase of the eleven servers and get ahead of the other counties.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

Funding for this purchase will be reimbursed over five years, with the first year's funding contained in the CalWIN allocation for Fiscal Year 2007/2008. California Department of Social Services (CDSS) will pay Tulare County 20% of the equipment cost each year, from Fiscal Year 2007/2008 through Fiscal Year 2012/2013.

There is no net increase in County General fund costs.

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LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

The County's five-year strategic plan includes Organizational Performance – Going Forward to provide state of the art technology and infrastructure to support better service delivery. This server refresh helps fulfill this by ensuring that CalWIN systems are working properly to provide more efficient and effective services.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board could choose to not approve this purchase and select another method of obtaining the 2007/2008 server refresh or direct staff to take other action. Failure to meet the network requirements for use of the CalWIN application will place the County at financial risk due to its agreements with the WCDS CalWIN Consortium.

INVOLVEMENT OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS OR AGENCIES:

County IT has reviewed purchase and will participate in supervising the vendor.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

Keyin Marks - Director Administration

Cc: Auditor/Controller

County Counsel
County Administrative Office (3)

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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UPON MOTION OF SUPERVIS	OR, SECONDED BY
SUPERVISOR	_, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN O	FFICIAL MEETING HELD
, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
AYES: NOES: ABSTAIN: ABSENT:	
ATTEST:	JEAN ROUSSEAU COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
BY:	Deputy Clerk
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