



**CITY OF SALINAS
COUNCIL STAFF REPORT**

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DEPARTMENT: FINANCE / INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
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TITLE: ARCTIC WOLF MDR SOLUTION RENEWAL

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

A motion to approve a resolution authorizing the renewal of Arctic Wolf MDR from Savant Solutions in an amount not to exceed \$85,984 to provide city-wide network security monitoring.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Arctic Wolf MDR, a leader in cybersecurity operations solutions, has been providing the City of Salinas a 24/7 security operations center and email and security training for staff. City of Salinas is using Arctic Wolf MDR to improve the City's network security and prevent future malicious attacks.

BACKGROUND:

City of Salinas has been using Arctic Wolf MDR since FY 2021-22. Due to an increase in email related threats, an email component was added to the solution. Arctic Wolf will continue to provide 24/7 monitoring, detection, and response for the City of Salinas' network system environment. Service support items include:

- Centralized security logging and monitoring.
- Immediate Security threats alert notifications
- Continuous vulnerability and risk management.
- Monthly vulnerability scans that include all public facing components of the network.
- Cloud detection and response of all Cloud environments.
- Continuous improvement of security posture.
- User security awareness trainings.

Maintaining a security software is necessary to support City operations while protecting the network environment from security threats.

CEQA CONSIDERATION:

Not a Project. The City of Salinas has determined that the proposed action is not a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (CEQA Guidelines Section 15378).

STRATEGIC PLAN INITIATIVE:

This request supports City Council's Strategic Goal of Effective and Culturally Responsive Government by ensuring that the information systems can support City programs, projects, and services.

DEPARTMENTAL COORDINATION:

Information Technology and Administration will continue to work with all departments to prevent network security threats and increase security awareness.

FISCAL AND SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT:

Funds are appropriated and available in the FY 2023-24 Annual Operating Budget.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution
2. Savant Solutions Quote