

County of Monterey

Board of Supervisors Chambers 168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor Salinas, CA 93901

Board Report

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RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

MEDITECH is Natividad's primary system for patient registration, clinical documentation, physician ordering, patient electronic health records, and financial records. The MEDITECH System consists of many modules and interfaces that all have required ongoing monthly maintenance fees to support the software. As additional modules, features, enhancements and interfaces are added to NMC's MEDITECH system, corresponding maintenance fees are incurred. Most of the routine modules as well as smaller upgrades, features and enhancements all have monthly maintenance fees.

MEDITECH's system is critical at NMC to patient care and documentation and the support and maintenance is absolutely needed by NMC. This request to pay the annual maintenance fees ensures that the system remains functional. \$45,181 of the \$415,000 is to be used for any routine one-time costs for small features, interfaces and customizations costing under \$15,000 each.

The Healthcare Information System Software Agreement, the County's original services agreement with MEDITECH, has a perpetual term and does include a 60-day notice to terminate clause.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Office of County Counsel has reviewed and approved this request, and the Auditor-Controller has reviewed and approved as to payment provisions. The request has also been reviewed and approved by NMC's Finance Committee and by its Board of Trustees on April 8, 2022.

FINANCING:

The cost for this request is \$415,000 for FY22-23, all of which will be included in the FY22-23 Recommended Budget. There is no impact to the General Fund.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

Ongoing system maintenance is necessary to keep the hospital's primary Electronic Health Record (EHR) system, MEDITECH,

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functional and accessible. The system holds all patient records which is a vital part of care and treatment, therefore this request ultimately leads to improved care and health of NMC Patients. Regular maintenance also fosters a sound, secure and sustainable physical infrastructure.

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Attachments:

Board Report Attachment A: MEDITECH Annual Maintenance Payment Schedule Original Agreement with Medical Information Technology, Inc.

Attachments on file with the Clerk of the Board