



County of Monterey

Board of Supervisors
Chambers
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Board Report

File #: 16-916, **Version:** 1

Approve and authorize the Director of the Information Technology Department, or her designee, to sign a Non-Disclosure and Confidentiality Agreement with Kovarus Inc., regarding proprietary network design.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

- a. Approve and authorize the Director of the Information Technology Department, or her designee, to sign a Non-Disclosure and Confidentiality Agreement with Kovarus Inc., regarding proprietary network design.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The Information Technology (IT) Department is charged with protecting the confidentiality of the County's network information. However, in order to effectively work with certain vendors, the County must release information of a confidential nature in order to plan and complete various projects.

The IT Department is currently working on a project to ensure the continuing functionality of the County's network and infrastructure. To complete this project, ITD needs to consult with an outside vendor, Kovarus Inc., regarding network infrastructure requirements. ITD needs to be able to share confidential information about the County network in order to effectively consult with Kovarus Inc., and for Kovarus Inc. to be able to provide County with a project and system design and proposal.

In order to safeguard the County I.T. information that is shared with Kovarus Inc., ITD has asked that it enter into a Non-Disclosure and Confidentiality Agreement. Kovarus Inc. has agreed to do so.

Accordingly, it is recommended that the Board approve and authorize the Director of ITD to execute the attached Non-Disclosure and Confidentiality Agreement with Kovarus Inc.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

County Counsel has reviewed the Non-Disclosure and Confidentiality Agreement as to form.

FINANCING:

There is no cost associated with the approval or use of the Vendor Non-Disclosure Agreement to the General Fund.

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Approved by:

Dianah Neff, Director of Information Technology, 759-6923
Attachments:

Non-Disclosure and Confidentiality Agreement with Kovarus Inc.

Attachments are on file with the Clerk of the Board