

County of Monterey

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

Board Report

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RECOMMENDATION:

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SUMMARY:

Trimarc Security LLC is a leading organization in cyber security, specifically the Windows platform providing security recommendations and solutions for government, educational institutions as well as private companies.

The proposed agreement will provide the County an Active Directory Security Assessment (ADSA) and provide the County with a report highlighting any security issues along with mitigation/resolution recommendations.

DISCUSSION:

The County's IT Department is embarking on reviewing and improving the security of our Active Directory and Azure Active Directory (Office 365) environments. The first portion of this involves an assessment of the security of our IT Active Directory Service (AD). AD houses all the user and computer accounts and permissions in the county and provides single sign-on authentication to local and cloud-based services used by the county. This assessment scans the AD environment, shining a light on any dark, forgotten corners and unravels the spider-web of permissions collected over many years. It identifies multiple potential AD attack escalation paths and provides written recommendations that are actionable, prioritized, and customized to our environment so they can be implemented more quickly (and phased in over time) to effectively mitigate them.

Attachments:

Trimarc Security LLC Agreement Trimarc Security LLC Scope of Work Non-Disclosure Agreement

Attachments on file with the Clerk of the Board

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