Aitkin County Board of Commissioners Request for County Board Action/Agenda Item Cover Sheet



To: Chairperson, Aitkin County Board of Commissioners Date: <u>February 4, 2013</u>
Via: Patrick Wussow, County Administrator
From:Terry Neff, Environmental Services Director
Title of Item:
Purchase Software
Requested Meeting Date: <u>February 12, 2013</u> Estimated Presentation Time: <u>N/A</u>
Presenter: Consent Agenda
Type of Action Requested (check all that apply)
For info only, no action requestedX_ Approve under Consent Agenda
For discussion only with possible future action Adopt Ordinance Revision
Let/Award Bid or Quote (attach copy of basic bid/quote specs or summary of complex specs, each bid/quote received & bid/quote
comparison) Approve/adopt proposal by motion Approve/adopt proposal by resolution (attach draft resolution)
Authorize filling vacant staff position
Request to schedule public hearing or sale Other (please list)
Request by member of the public to be heard
Item should be addressed in closed session under MN Statute
Fiscal Impact (check all that apply)
Is this item in the current approved budget? Yes No _X _ (attach explanation)
What type of expenditure is this? Operating _X_ Capital Other (attach explanation)
Revenue line account # that funds this item is:
Expenditure line account # for this item is:
Staffing Impact (Any yes answer requires a review by Human Resources Manager before going to the board)
Duties of a department employee(s) may be materially affectedYesNo Applicable job description(s) may require revisionYesNo
Item may impact a bargaining unit agreement or county work policy Yes No
Item may change the department's authorized staffing levelYes No
Supporting Attachment(s)
X Memorandum Summary of Item
Copy of applicable county policy and/or ordinance (excerpts acceptable)
Copy of applicable state/federal statute/regulation (excerpts acceptable)
Copy of applicable contract and/or agreement
Original bid spec or quote request (excluding complex construction projects)
Bids/quotes received (excluding complex construction projects, provide comparison worksheet)
Bid/quote comparison worksheet
Draft County Board resolution
Plat approval check-list and supporting documents
Copy of previous minutes related to this issue
Other supporting document(s) (please list)

Provide (1) copy of supporting documentation NO LATER THAN Wednesday at Noon to make the Board's agenda for the following Tuesday. (If your packet contains colored copies, please provide (4) paper copies of supporting documentation as we do not have a color printer or copier.) Items WILL NOT be placed on the Board agenda unless complete documentation is provided for the Board packets.

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MEMORANDUM

DATE:

February 5, 2013

TO:

Aitkin County Board of Commissioners

FROM:

Terry Neff, Environmental Services Director/

RE:

Recommendation to Purchase Software

The Planning and Zoning Office currently is storing all the parcel files and other documents on an acrobat program. It has served us well over the years but is in dire need of replacement. It was recently discovered the system is near capacity. It is no longer a question of *if* the system will fail but a question of *when!* The MIS Department is recommending we use the Application Extender storage and retrieval system that all the other Departments in Aitkin County are currently using. This storage system has a start-up cost of approximately \$5,000.00 which will cover five licenses. This will allow 5 staff members to use the system at the same time, which may not be enough. We currently have 8 computers operating the system, but we will try it for a few months and see if there are any problems. The replacement of the current storage and retrieval system was not included in the 2013 Planning and Zoning budget.

I am requesting the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners authorize the purchase of the five licenses for the Planning and Zoning Department.

If you have any questions prior to the meeting, please contact me at 218-927-7342 or by email at tneff@co.aitkin.mn.us.

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