

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



ITEM  
3.21  
(ID # 10863)

**MEETING DATE:**

Tuesday, September 24, 2019

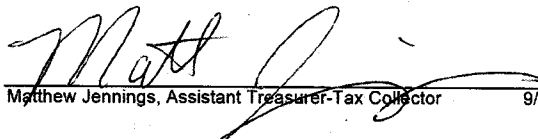
**FROM:** RIVERSIDE COUNTY INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND ASSESSOR-COUNTY CLERK-RECORDER, AUDITOR CONTROLLER, TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR:

**SUBJECT:** RIVERSIDE COUNTY INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (RCIT), ASSESSOR-COUNTY CLERK-RECORDER, AUDITOR CONTROLLER, TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR: Ratify and Approve the Emergency One-Time Purchase with Sirius Computer Solutions, Inc., for IBM Disk Storage Hardware for a total of \$90,000 and Related Professional Services through June 30, 2020 for a total of \$40,000, All Districts. [Total Cost \$130,000 - RCIT Budget- 100%]

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Ratify and approve the emergency one-time purchase with Sirius Computer Solutions, Inc., for IBM Disk Storage Hardware for a total of \$90,000 and professional services to install, configure, and provide technical support through June 30, 2020 for a total of \$40,000.

**ACTION:Policy**

  
Matthew Jennings, Assistant Treasurer-Tax Collector 9/5/2019

  
Kan Wang, Assistant Assesor-County-Clerk Recorder 9/6/2019


  
Paul A. Angulo, County Auditor-Controller 9/9/2019

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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

On motion of Supervisor Hewitt, seconded by Supervisor Perez and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Hewitt  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Date: September 24, 2019  
xc: RCIT, ACR, Auditor, Treasurer

Kecia R. Harper  
Clerk of the Board  
By:   
Deputy

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<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>	<b>Current Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Next Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Total Cost:</b>	<b>Ongoing Cost</b>
<b>COST</b>	\$ 130,000	\$ 0	\$ 130,000	\$ 0
<b>NET COUNTY COST</b>	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS: RCIT Budget- 100%</b>			<b>Budget Adjustment:</b>	No
			<b>For Fiscal Year:</b>	19/20

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:** Approve

**BACKGROUND:**

**Summary**

The legacy Property Tax Management System is built on an IBM hardware platform that resides on the 10<sup>th</sup> floor of the County Administrative Center (CAC) - Data Center. An unplanned power outage at the CAC Data Center resulted in the Property Tax Management System going offline. After power was restored, the IBM DS6800 disk storage hardware (a primary component of the Property Application) would not come online. The Property Application remained offline and would not be accessible until the disk storage was replaced.

The legacy Property Tax Management System is scheduled to be shutdown permanently at the end of this calendar year. Between now and the end of the calendar year the Crest Project Team is comparing property tax transactions and results between the new and legacy system. In addition, there is data on the system that needs to be converted to another format prior to the end of the calendar year and this effort takes time. Every day that the mainframe is offline increases the chance that fewer property tax transactions and results are compared between the new and legacy system and that all data will not be converted by the end of the year.

RCIT reached out to three different vendors that support IBM DS6800, IBM Support Services, Curvature and Sirius Computer Solutions, Inc. to come out to attempt to recover the failed disk storage hardware. All three vendors determined that the hardware could not be repaired.

RCIT reached out to IBM, Curvature, and Sirius Computer Solutions for a quote on used DS6800 hardware. However, the IBM DS6800 wasn't readily available on the used market. As a result, RCIT decided to purchase a new IBM Disk Storage System. RCIT reached out to IBM and to IBM business partner Sirius Computer Solutions for a quote to purchase new hardware. Curvature wasn't asked to provide a quote as they are not an IBM business partner and reseller of new IBM disk storage. RCIT chose to purchase through Sirius Computer Solutions, Inc. as their quote was less than that of IBM.

**Impact on Residents and Businesses**

If the hardware was not replaced the loss of data would impact the Auditor Controller, Assessor-County Clerk-Recorder, and Treasurer-Tax Collector, who utilize the Property System tools for the citizens of Riverside County.

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**Additional Fiscal Information**

Description	FY 19/20
IBM Disk Storage hardware	\$ 90,000
Professional Services	\$ 40,000
Total Cost	\$ 130,000


**Contract History and Price Reasonableness**

RCIT looked at options to save money by purchasing refurbished hardware. However, there was no refurbished hardware available that met the technical specifications. Therefore, RCIT purchased new hardware from Sirius Computer Solutions, Inc. with a basic configuration to meet the technical specifications.

Sirius Computer Solutions, Inc was determined to be the most cost effective based on a past engagement and technical knowledge, of the Property Application. Sirius Computer Solutions, Inc. technical staff assisted with the installation and configuration of the disk system that was replaced.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Emergency Justification Form
2. Invoice

  
Teresa Summers, Director of Purchasing 9/9/2019

  
Venus Brambila 9/12/2019

  
Gregory V. Priamos, Director County Counsel 9/11/2019

## EMERGENCY JUSTIFICATION

This questionnaire has been designed to assist County of Riverside staff in providing information necessary in the processing of emergency requests for the purchase of goods, services, or equipment. Please complete and forward to Central Purchasing.

If more space is needed, please attach additional page(s).

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Emergency procurement shall be defined as a sudden and/or unexpected occurrence that poses a clear and imminent danger, requiring immediate action to prevent or mitigate the loss of impairment of life, health, property, or essential public services. (Please attach itemized quote or invoice if available).

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Agency/Department: RCIT Total Dollar Amount: \$130,000

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Vendor Name: Sirius Computer Solutions, Inc. Vendor #: 0000046246

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Date of Incident: May 31, 2019

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Location of Incident: 4080 Lemon St., Fl. 10, Riverside, CA 92501

1. State the goods, services, or equipment which will mitigate the emergency situation: Installation, configuration and technical professional services for IBM Hardware systems; and the purchase of one IBM DS882F Hardware Storage Device for the County's Property Tax Management System.
2. State the reason for the emergency purchase by explaining what the emergency is and/or what caused the emergency situation: A power failure at the Riverside County Administrative Center (CAC) - Data Center caused the legacy Property Tax Management System to go offline. Once power was restored, RCIT attempted to recover the Property Tax Management System and determined that the disk storage hardware would not reboot. After assessment by several vendors it was determined that the disk storage hardware needed to be replaced.
3. State the financial or operational damage/risk that will occur if needs are not satisfied immediately: The disk storage hardware is required to bring the legacy Property Tax Management System online. The Property Tax Management System remained offline and not available until the new disk storage was acquired and configured.
4. State why the needs were not or could not be anticipated, so that the goods/services could have been purchased following standard procedures: The system failed at the time of a power failure at CAC Data Center. There is no

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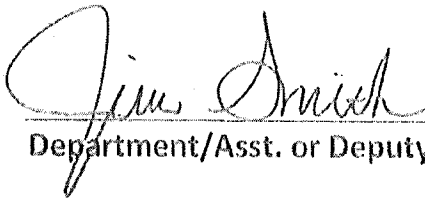
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practical way to determine and plan for the unplanned power outage or to predict if the hardware will recover after a forced power failure.

5. State the reason and process used for selecting the vendor (Attach all quotes/proposals received, if applicable): Sirius Computer Solution, Inc. is an IBM partner whose system engineer configured the disk subsystem when it was acquired new in 2014.

  
Gil Mejia, Assistant Chief Information Officer

8/18/19  
Date:

  
Jim Smith, CTO  
Department/Asst. or Deputy Head Signature

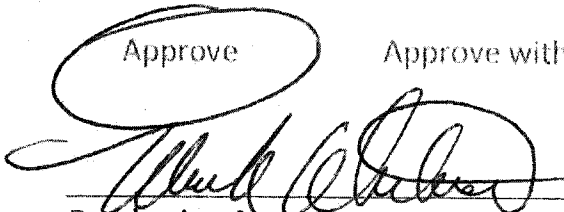
8/20/19  
Date:

Purchasing Department Comments:

Approve

Approve with Condition/s

Disapprove

  
Purchasing Agent

8/22/19  
Date

20-046  
SSJ Approval #

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You will need a Sole Source Justification (SSJ) control number for this emergency purchase. Only the Director of Purchasing, Assistant Director or Purchasing Manager can approve the SSJ control number.

**INVOICE**



Remit to:  
 Sirius Computer Solutions, Inc.  
 P.O. Box 202289  
 Dallas, Texas 75320-2289  
 (210) 369-8000

**Invoice:** IN 485251  
**Customer PO:** 19-0002257  
**Invoice Date:** 07/12/19  
**Due Date:** 08/11/19  
**Customer No:** 29238  
**Terms:** Net 30 Days

**Bill To:**  
 COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE  
 ATTN: IGF LEASE  
 3450 14TH ST FL 4  
 RIVERSIDE CA 92501-3862

**Ship To:**  
 COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE  
 ATTN: GAIL WAKEFIELD  
 4080 LEMON ST FL 10  
 RIVERSIDE CA 92501-3609

**Order No:** 329322  
**Account Executive:** Phil Chait

**Oppty ID:** 20190607-1161

Item Number	Description	Extended Price	
5331-983	IBM DS8882F Serial Number(s): 785KGC30 Serial Number(s): 7541288	82,589.44	#
9046-FF8	IBM DS8000 SERIES FUNCTION AUTHORIZATION E-DELIVERY	0.00	#

\* - taxable  
 no symbol - non-taxable  
 # - solution may contain taxable and non-taxable items

Taxable \$ 68,615.04  
 Non-Taxable \$ 13,974.40

Subtotal \$ 82,589.44  
 Shipping and Handling \$ 0.00  
 Tax \$ 6,003.83  
 Amount Due \$ 88,593.27