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AUTHORIZE TO USE A COOPERATIVE CONTRACT
WITH SIX DEGREES CONSULTING TO PROVIDE
TECHNOLOGY CONSULTING SERVICES ON
CHECKPOINT PRODUCTS

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REPORT: On March 19, 2015 (BA 15-094), the Board of Directors approved the contract with Presidio for purchasing additional checkpoint hardware and technology professional services. The College has been informed that Presidio is no longer an authorized reseller of Checkpoint Products. At this time, the College would like to contract with Six Degrees (local Checkpoint Products provider). Six Degrees will assist the Technology Solutions Services staff (TSS) with the following services: 1) provide consulting to improve network security by fully implementing the Checkpoint appliances to prevent malicious traffic from entering PCC's network; 2) prepare the PCC Network Infrastructure Team to be self-sufficient in maintaining a secured network; 3) provide maintenance covering five years of maintenance (FY16 thru FY20) for network equipment and security tools. In previous years, the maintenance cost was \$175,000 annually. The increase is due to the fact that the new network is significantly more robust, with increased capacity and failover, and it contains more security safeguards; 4) provide firewall consulting to architect the firewall rules for the new NRP environment, through completion of the NRP project, which has been extended through March 31, 2016. The completion of the NRP was extended because the deployment team has had to spend several months cleaning up the legacy network, and after completing the first four of twelve deployments, TSS learned that migrations take significantly longer because the legacy

network contains even more design flaws than originally discovered. This firewall consulting is provided by Checkpoint and previously was paid thru Presidio.

The College requests an approval for \$4,066,000, which includes \$180,000 for implementing network security systems, \$3,796,000 for maintenance for network equipment and tools for FY 16 thru 20, and \$90,000 for firewall consulting to complete the Network Redesign Project funded by General Fund. The table below shows the breakdown by fiscal year. This increase exceeds the \$150,000 thresholds and requires Board of Directors approval.

	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20
Checkpoint Security Systems Operationalization	\$180,000				
Checkpoint Maintenance (previously \$175,000 per year)	\$140,000	\$140,000	1,172,000	1,172,000	1,172,000
NRP Firewall Consulting Extension thru early October	\$90,000				
Total	\$410k	\$140k	\$1,172k	\$1,172k	\$1,172k

The College is using a GSA IT Schedule #70 cooperative contract, (reference #GS-35F-0511T, valid through June 26, 2017). Procurement of professional services is included through the same contract as equipment purchases. GSA IT Schedule #70, allows State and Local Governments to take advantage of volume discounts offered on software, firmware, support equipment services. The College Procurement Rules (CCR 214) allow the use of cooperative contracts without going through an additional competitive process.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Directors authorize the College to contract with Six Degrees to provide Technology Professional Services and maintenance agreement on Checkpoint Equipment, with the contract terms and conditions based on GSA IT Schedule #70 contract (ref # GS-35F-0511T, valid through June 26, 2017). Funding will be from the General Fund.