Information and General Services Department

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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: February 14, 2017

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Steve Monaghan, Chief Information Officer

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing purchase of a Cognos

enterprise license, a software capital asset, and amending the FY16-17 Information Systems Budget

(4/5 Vote Required)

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the Resolution

FUNDING: The FY16-17 Information Systems budget includes \$11,979 for maintenance of the current version of Cognos. The cost of the new enterprise license is \$37,780. A budget amendment is requested to allocate the difference, \$25,801, from the Information Technology designation of the General Fund and to reallocate funds between budget categories for purchase of a capital asset.

BACKGROUND:

Cognos is a report writing application that is used in connection with the FinancePlus suite of financial accounting software. The County has been licensing Cognos on a per-user basis since 2002. Sungard Public Sector, Inc. is now making available to the County an enterprise license that will result in a reduced total cost to the County over five years, while making the application available to an unlimited number of County users. Cognos also has the potential to be used for reporting from other databases. The total cost of the enterprise license, inclusive of installation, training, and the first year of maintenance, is \$37,780. Information Systems has \$11,979 budgeted for Cognos maintenance, and the proposed budget amendment would allocate the balance of \$25,801 from the Information Technology assignment of the General Fund. The Information Systems Steering Board has recommended this purchase.

Item Initiated by: Mary Ross

Approved by: Steve Monaghan

Submittal Date: February 1, 2017