

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2022**

**MINUTE ORDER NO. 20**

**SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT GRANT FUNDING RELATED TO INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND CYBERSECURITY OPPORTUNITIES (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

In response to the unprecedented number of cybersecurity threats facing local governments, an increasing number of information technology and cyber security grant opportunities have been established by state and federal agencies. These grant opportunities are designed to help local governments address the ever-increasing cybersecurity risks and cybersecurity threats to information systems by domestic and foreign actors.

County Technology Office staff have been researching various recently announced programs and evaluating how the potential grants can improve the County's current and future cybersecurity posture. Today's actions authorize the Chief Information Officer, or their designee, to apply for and accept grants that provide opportunities to improve the information technology environment and cybersecurity posture of the County of San Diego.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or their designee, through December 31, 2027, to pursue grant funding, submit applications, and accept awarded grants that provide opportunities to improve the information technology environment and cybersecurity posture of the County of San Diego.
2. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or their designee, to execute all required grant documents, including any applications, agreements, annual extensions, amendments, and/or revisions.

**EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Today's actions would provide the Chief Administrative Officer, or their designee, with the authority to apply for and accept grant funding that has the potential to improve the information technology environment and cybersecurity posture of the County of San Diego. Community engagement and outreach will be paramount to the success of any program that is implemented under this authority.

**SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The request to apply and accept proposals to continuously improve the County's information technology and cybersecurity infrastructure supports the County of San Diego's sustainability goal of providing just and equitable access to County services, policy decision-making, and resource allocation in support of sustainable communities by protecting and providing resilience to the information technology systems the County uses to deliver public services.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with the authority to pursue grant funding. Staff will return to the Board as necessary to establish appropriations for grants that are awarded that cannot be supported by the Operational Plan at the time of award. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years as a result of today’s proposed actions.

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**ACTION:**

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Vargas, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Fletcher, Desmond

ABSENT: Lawson-Remer

State of California)  
County of San Diego) §

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Original entered in the Minutes of the Board of Supervisors.

ANDREW POTTER  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors



**Signed**  
**by** Andrew Potter