


CITY AND BOROUGH OF SITKA

A COAST GUARD CITY

MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor Eisenbeisz and Assembly Members

Thru: John Leach, Municipal Administrator 

From: Grant Turner IT Director

Date: November 5, 2024

Subject: Budget Appropriation from IT Tools and Small Equipment to replace the main datacenter uninterrupted power supply (UPS) as a fixed asset.

Background

The IT department operates the city main datacenter located at the fire department. This year we have upgraded and replaced four of the host with three new hosts. These host run all the servers for the City & Borough of Sitka datacenter. These servers host all the applications the city uses daily.

Reason for Request

In the process of replacing and removing the previous datacenter hosts with the new hosts we have reached and exceeded the power resources of the current uninterruptible power supply (UPS). The existing UPS no longer can maintain the operation of the datacenter until the fire hall generator is online. The IT department has had to create a temporary solution to continue this functionality while we wait for a UPS replacement.

Fiscal Note

The IT department has sufficient funding in its Tools and Small Equipment budget, however this purchase is considered to be a fixed asset and needs to be correctly appropriated. The department would like to transfer \$12,000 from the Tools and Small Equipment budget (current YTD balance of \$153,315.20) to a fixed asset account to purchase the new UPS.

Recommendation

Approve the transfer of funds to a fixed asset account for the purpose of purchasing a new UPS for the city datacenter.