

TOWN *Of* **PARADISE VALLEY**



STAFF REPORT

TO: Mayor Bien-Willner and Town Council Members

FROM: James Bailey, Interim Chief Information Officer
Jill Keimach, Town Manager

DATE: November 9, 2021

AGENDA TITLE:

Discussion and Action Authorizing Expenditure of Budgeted Funds for Information Technology Professional Services and Software Reseller Support with Sentinel Technologies, Inc

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

The Town Council authorized for FY22 additional budget dollars to address critical technology issues and risks. This combined series of projects, referenced as the “Summer Technology Focus Areas”, were executed to provide upgrades for Office 365 email services, Cyber Risk improvements, Backup and Recovery of email services, and additional analysis about the overall health of the data center. The Town Council was briefed on these projects at its September 9 meeting as part of the 2021 Summer Recess Update.

Sentinel Technologies, Inc. was selected in May 2021 to assist the IT Department and Town by providing the professional services and software reseller support to successfully execute these projects. The costs to complete the Summer Technology Focus Areas were included in the FY 2021/2022 budget and specifically approved as part of the budget process.

Pursuant to Town Code Section 3-8-4, Town Council approval is required for expenditures exceeding \$100,000 to a single vendor, even if approved in the budget. Therefore, Town Manager is requesting approval from Council to exceed the \$100,000 per vendor limit for Sentinel Technologies, Inc. up to the amount specifically budgeted for IT improvements.

ATTACHMENT(S):

A. Staff Report Exhibits – Technology Projects / Sentinel Purchase Order Summary