

May 11, 2010

Marin County Board of Supervisors
3501 Civic Center Drive
San Rafael, CA 94903

SUBJECT: Maintenance Fees for Software and Hardware

Dear Board Members:

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the sole source annual maintenance fees for the County's IBM mainframe computer for the Information Services and Technology (IST) Department.

SUMMARY: On May 6, 2003, your Board approved the purchase of an IBM mainframe computer system from Mainline Information Systems, Inc., and a software package from Computer Associates International, Inc. (now called CA, Inc.) This software package is proprietary and has been specifically designed to support County programs that run on the IBM mainframe. Accordingly, CA, Inc. is the only vendor who can provide maintenance. Correspondently, the hardware is proprietary and Mainline Information Systems is the only vendor who can provide the annual hardware maintenance. The software maintenance fees are \$122,707.73 and the hardware maintenance fees are \$44,324.24. The software licensing fee covers the period 07/01/10 through 06/30/11. IST moved most programs from the mainframe to a server environment in 2009, however the Courts continue to utilize the mainframe for their programs.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funding is available under the General Fund's IST Budget Fund Center for Maintenance and Repair Services (10000-3600014000-521930). The agreement with the Courts states that IST will maintain the IBM mainframe, and the Courts will reimburse all expenses. There will be no impact to the General Fund.

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	<input type="checkbox"/>	County Counsel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A
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Respectfully submitted,

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