## Kenai Peninsula Borough

## **Purchasing and Contracting Department**

## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Peter A. Micciche, Borough Mayor

**THRU:** John Hedges, Purchasing & Contracting Director  $\mathcal{H}$ 

FROM: Ben Hanson, IT Director 8+

**DATE:** September 18, 2025

**RE:** Purchase of Dell Storage Arrays, Under the National Association of State Procurement

Officials (NASPO) Contract

Information Technology (IT) and 911 currently operate three high-capacity Dell Storage Arrays (SAN), which will reach end-of-support from the manufacturer (Dell) in December 2025. These SANs house approximately 95% of all KPB computing data, and are backbone element of KPB's virtualized server environment. As such, they represent highly critical infrastructure and are essential for the continuity of Borough operations. The expiring platform consists of three Dell Compellent SCV3020 units, and this request seeks approval to replace them with three Dell PowerStore 500T units. The Dell PowerStore platform is the logical successor of the Compellent platform, allowing cost effective direct migration of all KPB data.

For IT, funding to replace two of the three SAN arrays was budgeted in FY2026 through the Borough's Equipment Replacement Fund and approved by both the Mayor and the Assembly. Funding for the replacement of the third unit, used by 911, was appropriated through KPB Ordinance 2025-19-02.

GCS IT has provided a proposal that includes group purchasing organization (GPO) contract pricing under NASPO contract #23026. The total cost is \$198,253.00.

IT requests authorization to purchase three Dell PowerStore 500T arrays from GCS IT in order to maintain a supportable and reliable storage infrastructure.

Funding for this purchase is available in accounts 705.94910.26E01.48311 and 455.11255.26435.49999.

Your consideration and support of this request is appreciated.

Peter A. Micciche, Mayor

Date

FINANCE DEPARTMENT FUNDS VERIFIED

Acct: 705.94910.26E01.48311 455.11255.26435.49999

Amount: \$137,726 and \$60,527

NOTES: NA