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Finance Department Review: Rich Abbott, Finance Director RA	City Attorney's Office Review: Brian Running, City Attorney BER
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Subject:

Amendment to Kronos contract.

Details:

Kronos has introduced an option to allow the City to move our current premises-based software to the cloud. This coincides with a major Kronos release IT had planned to implement in 2015. This release is expected to eliminate current issues the City is having with Kronos. Moving to the cloud will eliminate the need for hardware dedicated to Kronos, as well as eliminating the manual intervention of IT applying software updates. This proposed change requires a contract addendum to be approved and signed by the City for cloud hosting of the software. The cost for the release is \$14,294.50. This cost reflects a \$2,600.00 savings in professional services, as long as the Kronos contract is approved by early October. The Kronos software upgrade was planned for in 2015 within the IT small software budget account. If approved, the scope of this release implementation would change from being an in-place upgrade to a cloud migration.

Options & Alternatives:

Keeping Kronos on-premises is the alternative to a cloud solution. Cloud hosting advantages include the elimination of future server hardware replacements as well as time saved by not having to maintain operating system and Kronos service upgrades. Cloud versus on-premises costs are nearly the same, with the cloud being slightly less than the on-premises contract.

Financial Remarks:

The money to fund the hosting service would come from the City / IT maintenance fund 0100; specifically account 1916.52440. The current maintenance account for Kronos would pay for the hosting service. The specific amount of the cloud service is \$23,400.00 annually.

Executive Recommendation:

Recommend approval of the Kronos service contract addendum for cloud services pending final review and approval of the City Attorney's office. ITB recommends the Finance Committee also approve the contract and move it forward to the Common Council for final approval, authorizing for the Mayor to sign the contract.

