

The County of Yuba

County Administrator



TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: County Administrator, Kevin Mallen

SUBJECT: County Administrator: Approve contract for "Defender by Karpel" Software for use by Public Defender's office and authorize Chair to execute

DATE: October 22, 2024

NUMBER: 554/2024

Recommendation

Approve contract for "Defender by Karpel" Software for use by Public Defender's office and authorize Chair to execute.

Background

Karpel Software is currently used by our District Attorney's Office, and this will allow the Public Defender's office to have better case communication and efficiencies between law offices. Karpel software and all data shall remain the County's property.

Discussion

Karpel Solutions is a business and government solutions provider that offers a software that delivers numerous tools to our Public Defender for enhanced case management and simplified information management. By utilizing this software, the Yuba County Public Defender's office will be able to communicate case information with the Yuba County District Attorney's office more efficiently, allowing for a streamlined process for both offices. Karpel Solutions assigns a project manager that will guide the county throughout the implementation process and provide support once the software has been executed. The timeline is expected to be six months with a go-live date of April 2025. Public Defender will be receiving technology upgrades to be compatible with Defender by Karpel software.

Committee

This is being presented to the Board directly as a consent item.

Fiscal Impact

General Fund: \$5,175 annual support fee paid by Public Defender (101-2300) for subsequent years

Non-General Fund: \$63,525 total - \$38,350 in one-time implementation fees, \$5,175 in initial annual support fees, \$20,000 in Public Defender technology upgrades

Source: Impact Fees (Fund 183)

Attachments

554/2024 Defender by Karpel Yuba County Contract