MEMORANDUM

Date: September 6, 2017

To: The Honorable Chair and Members,
Pima County Board of Supervisors
Presiding Judge, Superior Court
Elected Officials
Appointing Authorities

From: C.H. Huckelberry
County Administrator

Re: Board of Supervisors Policy Regarding Pima County Information Technology Program

The Board of Supervisors previously requested updated and substantially modified Information Technology program policies. Last month, you received and commented on the Information Technology Program Lifecycle Management Plan.

I am now providing Policy D.27.1, Pima County Information Technology Program, for your information and review. Proposed modifications occur throughout the policy, and there are several significant modifications where I expect to receive comments. These are located in Section E, Requirements, Numbers 3, 5 and 7.

This Policy will be on the Board’s October 17, 2017 Agenda. Please provide your written comments by October 6, 2017.

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Attachment
A. **Purpose**

The **Purpose** of the Pima County Board of Supervisors is to provide a highly automated Information Technology (IT) environment for use by all departments, **Elected Officials**, and **Special Districts** to which allows for efficient and effective delivery of County services to all constituents while complying with the terms of all applicable laws and agreements and which is governed by a high-level organizational information security policy to ensure the protection of Pima County’s information and information systems.

B. **Background**

The **availability** of IT **resources** is essential to all aspects of Pima County governance, including the efficient and effective operation of its various departments, administrative staff and the functioning of its Elected Officials. It is the policy of Pima County to derive maximum benefit from the IT environment it implements and to ensure that the County and its employees use these resources in compliance with all applicable laws and all legally enforceable provisions of agreements. It is also the policy of Pima County that the IT environment implemented and used by County employees be used **must use its IT environment** for County business purposes only. It is the responsibility of the County Administrator to ensure that the Pima County establishes and maintains an IT program and associated operational environment for use by County employees and its constituents.

C. **Policy**

The **Information Technology Policy** of Pima County strives to be consistent with industry best practices as well as the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). It is the policy of the Board of Supervisors that all Elected Officials, Appointing Authorities and Department Directors are responsible to ensure **that** their departments and divisions **do all of the following**:

- Participate **and adhere to** in the Pima County **Information Technology** Program,
- utilize and leverage the **Information Technology** operational environment provided by the County Administrator, and
- Adhere to the **Information Technology** procedures and guidelines established and administered by the County Administrator.

D. **Definitions**

1. County Administrator” means the County Administrator or designee

2. “Elected Official” means a person who is duly elected, appointed or retained through election or an elected county office.
3. “Information Technology environment” means the County’s IT devices and applications utilized by County personnel, whether owned or leased by County, to perform job responsibilities and duties in the conduct of County business. This IT environment includes, but is not limited to, enterprise applications, business applications, electronic mail and messaging capabilities, telephones, servers, storage, network devices, cell/smart phones, pagers, radios, computers, hand-held computing devices, peripheral devices which attach to computing devices such as facsimile, printer, scanner, copier and other interfacing equipment, connectivity technologies used to access these computing and peripheral devices whether accessed from within County facilities or outside, and Internet access.

4. “Information Technology resources” means the County’s network and infrastructure components (connectivity), computing and peripherally attached devices, such as facsimile, printer, scanner, copier and other interfacing equipment, and voice/data communications systems. Through these components, devices, and systems, all County personnel access enterprise and business applications within and through the IT environment, and access the ability to create, manipulate, store/archive, move/transport, copy, and print content. Additionally, control facilities such as security badge systems are considered part of IT resources, given their impact and reliance on other IT resources.

5. “Enterprise applications” means computer software and/or hardware that have been internally developed or purchased to monitor, configure, balance utilization of, maximize performance of, and/or secure from intrusion, operational interference, or destruction, one or more IT resources.

6. “Business applications” means computer software that has been internally developed or purchased/configured to automate and/or control (e.g. SCADA) specific County, departmental or division business processes.

7. “Information Technology Program” is comprised of all of the components of the IT Environment, IT Resources, Enterprise Applications, and Business Applications and the content therein.

E. Requirements

1. Pima County owns and/or operates the Pima County IT Program, and the content produced and contained within the environment.

2. The County Administrator shall be responsible for specifications of the IT Program, whether the components of which are purchased or leased, which are utilized in the IT Program of Pima County to facilitate consistency of operation of similar resource-types deployed in the IT Program.

3. In order to have conformity county-wide by all Pima County departments, Elected Officials and Special Districts utilizing the County network environment must adhere to County lifecycle management and cyber information security as well as all County Administration Procedures as stated within each applicable procedure. In order to guarantee integration, ease of use and reduce County total cost of ownership of an IT Program all County entities to
include County departments, Elected Officials and Special Districts will be required to adhere to the following:

- **a. Utilization of centralized IT contracts for software and hardware acquisitions utilizing the County network.**

- **b. County IT published software versions, server and storage standards, computer standards and telecommunications (networking and phone) equipment.**

4. All County IT Program components remain under the control, custody, and supervision of the Pima County. All content accessed, created, manipulated, stored, archived, moved, transported, scanned, and printed remains the property of the Pima County and is subject to monitoring, auditing, and review. The Pima County reserves the right to monitor, audit, and review content at any time and without notice at the County’s discretion. **Elected Officials and Employees** have no expectation of privacy in their use of the County IT Program, either from internal monitoring, auditing, reviewing, or from public disclosure.

5. All Pima County provides IT Program components are provided to support the performance of job duties. Therefore, **Elected Officials and employees are to use** the IT Program to support business-related purposes. Incidental personal use is permitted provided that the incidental personal use conforms to applicable only and must conduct County policy, and such use does not interfere with the IT Program, or an employee’s job duties and performance. Incidental business only on and from County-owned or leased devices. Pima County prohibits the personal use of the IT environment County owned or leased IT any resources, except for incidental personal use, shall be reimbursed to the County as practical as possible.

6. Access into the IT Program will be protected by the use of authentication credentials. These credentials will be used in order to make a resource function in the IT environment by verifying the authorized use of a resource by County personnel. These credentials must not be shared, converted, or transferred to anyone other than The person to whom the authentication credentials were are issued must not share, convert, or transfer these credentials to anyone else. Users with elevated credentials must use two factor authentication credentials to access systems.

7. The **Elected Officials and employees must not subject the** IT Program should not be subjected to, or even appear to be subjected to inappropriate usage. Unacceptable uses of the IT Program include, but are not limited to:

- **a. Use for personal gain, advancement of individual personal views, or solicitation of non-County business;**

- **b. Any purpose and/or development of content which violates state or federal law including, but not limited to, violation of intellectual property and/or confidentiality laws;**
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c. Using any component of the Information Technology Program for the purpose of producing, distributing, or forwarding content that:

i. Attempts to influence the outcome of an elected office election, referendum, initiative, or recall (Arizona Revised Statute A.R.S. § 11-410);

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e. Interference with the security of confidential content in the IT Program including but not restricted to secure data zones and folders, identity and authentication information regarding any person or item within the IT Program;

f. Any use of one or more components of the IT Program that could cause or lead to a cause of excessive strain on any IT Program component, such as for example; mass emailings of non-authorized content which causes strain on connectivity, computing, and storage resources;

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**Revised:**
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