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- In an era where digital threats are constantly evolving, the role of city finance directors in safeguarding public funds has become increasingly complex. This panel will provide city finance directors with essential insights into cybersecurity risks and strategies specifically tailored for cities large and small. Hear from private sector and city voices on recent trends in cybersecurity and AI. Panelists will discuss their experience working with state and federal partners to protect municipalities from cyberattacks and ransom.



SPEAKERS

- **Benjamin Buecher**, IT Business Solutions Manager, San Joaquin Regional Rail
- **Marc Coopwood**, VP, Public Sector | Assistant Chief of Police (RET), Apex Technology Management
- **Chris Hardy**, Chief Technology Officer, Town of Truckee
- **George Passidakis**, Director of Sales and Marketing, Apex Technology Management
- **Norbert Ruijling**, Chief Innovation Officer, Tracy



With the increase in cyber threats targeting municipal systems, what are the latest innovations in cybersecurity that have proven effective in protecting sensitive data?



How do you prioritize cybersecurity investments within budget-constrained municipal settings, and what metrics do you use to assess their impact?



Can you discuss any recent examples where cybersecurity innovation has successfully prevented or mitigated a cyber incident in the public sector?



How do you approach the integration of AI and machine learning in your cybersecurity strategy, particularly in identifying and responding to threats in real time?



What steps are you taking to ensure that employees across all departments are adequately trained in cybersecurity best practices, and how do you measure the effectiveness of this training?



As cybersecurity threats evolve, how are you collaborating with other municipalities, government agencies, or private organizations to stay ahead of emerging risks and share best practices?



How do you balance the need for cybersecurity with the push for increased digital transformation and the adoption of new technologies in municipal operations?



What role do third-party vendors play in your cybersecurity strategy, and how do you ensure that they meet the necessary standards to protect sensitive data?



Questions?