



## Recommendation for Action

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### **Posting Language**

Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with Texas Department of Transportation, Austin District (TxDOT) allowing TxDOT to become an associate user of the Greater Austin Travis County Regional Radio System.

### **Lead Department**

Communications and Technology Management

### **Fiscal Note**

Estimated revenue from the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is \$273,024 for Fiscal Year 2019-2020.

### **Prior Council Action:**

Austin City Council has previously approved Interlocal Agreements for Greater Austin Travis County Regional Radio System Associate use with Pflugerville ISD, Concordia Lutheran College Police Department, Austin Community College Police Department and other local governments and public safety agencies. TxDOT has reviewed and signed this agreement.

### **For More Information:**

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### **Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:**

Recommended by GATRRS Governing Board at September 26, 2019 meeting.

### **Additional Backup Information:**

Texas Department of Transportation, Austin District (TxDOT) operates the Highway Emergency Response Operation (HERO) program in Austin and surrounding areas. To enable interoperation with other public safety organizations, TxDOT is requesting to become an associate user of the Greater Austin Travis County Regional Radio System (GATRRS). Enabling the HERO staff to utilize GATRRS for radio communications will allow City of Austin Public Safety agencies to communicate with HERO staff to coordinate traffic management efforts at collisions on state roadways in Austin.