

City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

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Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of agreements with several federal, state, and local government agencies allowing each to be associate participants in the Greater Austin-Travis County Regional Radio System, with automatic 12-month renewals, allowing two-way radio and dispatch console voice and data radio communication between the regional system and agency vehicles and personnel.

Lead Department

Communications and Technology Management

Fiscal Note

Procurements under this interlocal agreement will not be made unless funds are available in appropriate government entity departmental budgets. Fees for service are to be paid to the City of Austin CTM-Wireless Communication Services Division by the entities at a per monthly rate per radio or console unit. The estimated revenue for these services per entity may be \$5,000 or more annually.

Prior Council Action:

Council has granted similar approvals since executing the Greater Austin-Travis County Regional Radio System (GATRRS) partner master interlocal cooperation agreement in 2004 with its other GATRRS partners for system operations and maintenance.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

City of Austin acts as program manager for the Greater Austin-Travis County Regional Radio System (GATRRS), which provides voice and data radio communication for most public safety agencies (including law enforcement, firefighting, emergency medical services), as well as public service agencies in the Austin-Travis County region.

As the interlocal agreement's designated GATRRS managing partner, the City's Wireless Communication Services Division of Communications and Technology Management Department, is permitted to sponsor other local government entities or organizations to become "Associate" Users on GATRRS.

The proposed interlocal agreements will provide these entities the same level of access and service already being delivered to other GATRRS "Associate" Users throughout Travis County. The named entities for the purpose of this posting are:

- Del Valle Independent School District
- Lake Travis Independent School District
- Round Rock Independent School District
- Travis County Emergency Services District #11

- Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority
- Federal Bureau of Investigation
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security
- Texas Military Department
- Texas Division of Emergency Management
- Texas Parks and Wildlife Department
- Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission
- Texas Department of Criminal Justice
- Texas Attorney General's Office
- U.S. Marshal's Service
- U.S. Secret Service
- U.S. Customs and Border Protection
- U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration
- U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives
- City of Texarkana, Texas
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- State Fire Marshal Texas Department of Insurance