



City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 24-4013, **Agenda Item #:** 15.

2/29/2024

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of interlocal agreements with various governmental entities and political subdivisions for radio communications subscription services to reimburse the City for labor, services, and software related to use of the Greater Austin-Travis County Regional Radio System.

Lead Department

Communications and Technology Management.

Fiscal Note

Revenue per subscriber governmental entity is anticipated to be an estimated \$5,000 annually.

Prior Council Action:

On November 5, 2009, and September 21, 2023, Council approved negotiation and execution of the Greater Austin-Travis County Regional Radio System (GATRRS) Master Site Use Interlocal Cooperation Agreements with a variety of governments and political subdivisions across Texas. These agreements with radio subsystem owners were authorized with the stipulation that costs related to connection of the outside entities to the GATRRS Master Site will be borne by the outside entities at no expense to the City or the other GATRRS partners, and the outside entities will pay for their own radio system operation and maintenance costs as well as services performed by the City at the request of the outside entities.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

Although the above-described interlocal agreements have been, or will be, executed with the government and political subdivision radio subsystem owners, there are numerous smaller governments and political subdivision users of these subsystems which are connected to the GATRRS Master Site in Austin or other Zone Controllers. These smaller jurisdictions have expressed an interest in purchasing certain labor, services, and software which the City will offer on a reimbursement basis, in keeping with the Council's stipulation above that external governments and political subdivisions making use of the GATRRS core pay their own way at no expense to the GATRRS partners (which includes the City). Accordingly, a Radio Communications Subscription Service Agreement will be developed and executed with the user governments and political subdivisions to reimburse the City of Austin for labor, services, and software provided to them by the City.