



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting October 13, 2020

DATE: October 13, 2020
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Execute radio tower license agreement with American Towers for a communications site to operate a public safety communications system

CAPTION:

Resolution authorizing a radio tower license agreement with American Towers, LLC, for public safety communications with a 14-year term and three five-year optional renewals at an annual cost of \$76,080.00 plus a share of pro rata site expenses, a payment escalator of 3% annually, and a one-time co-location fee of \$3,000.00.

SUMMARY:

This agreement will replace a temporary license agreement for the public safety radio system which was established as an emergency due to a radio tower that fell last April. The temporary license will expire, and a permanent solution is needed. A new license agreement must be executed.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

This new American Towers location is a replacement site for the radio tower that fell due to a storm on April 29, 2020. The City was making plans to move to the American Towers site in the future. Due to the emergency of losing public safety radio coverage for the area, the City has been operating on this tower for over 5 months temporarily at no cost.

This tower is a permanent location for the Public Safety Radio System P25 radio standard upgrade. The public safety regional radio system supports the system owners which are the City, County, and RTA and supports 11 other public safety entities.

ALTERNATIVES:

None

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact in FY 2020-2021 is an amount estimated to be \$79,080.00 plus a share of pro rata site expenses from the Police Department budget, with the cost of any extension and optional years to be budgeted in the future through the annual budget process.

Funding Detail:

Fund:	1020
Organization/Activity:	11801
Mission Element:	151
Project # (CIP Only):	N/A
Account:	530160

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approving the license agreement.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

License Agreement
City Self Insured Letter