



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting November 9, 2021

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Fiber Internet Access for Choke Canyon Reservoir

CAPTION:

Motion authorizing a five-year service agreement with VTX1 Companies of Raymondville, Texas to provide a reliable, high-speed fiber for the Choke Canyon Reservoir, in an amount not to exceed \$100,564.00, effective upon issuance of a notice to proceed, with FY 2022 funding in the amount of \$35,812.00 available in the Water Fund.

SUMMARY:

This motion authorizes a five-year service agreement that allows VTX1 Companies of Raymondville, Texas, and the City to provide a reliable, high-speed fiber for connectivity between the Choke Canyon Reservoir and the City's network.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The Choke Canyon Reservoir currently depends on a legacy T1 for connectivity to the City's network, which is unreliable and slow. This contract with VTX1 is necessary to provide a reliable, high-speed fiber to the Choke Canyon Reservoir.

This high-speed fiber will provide connectivity for systems such as security cameras, badge access control, security alarms, telephone, and city network access. VTX1 will install approximately 500 feet of high-speed fiber from their facility to the Choke Canyon Reservoir to provide this service.

PROCUREMENT DETAIL:

The IT Department contacted Contracts and Procurement to issue a contract through The Interlocal Purchase System (TIPS). The contracts awarded through this TIPS Cooperative have been competitively procured in compliance with Texas Local and State procurement requirements.

ALTERNATIVES:

No alternative. This must be done to resolve the slow and unreliable connection for the Choke Canyon Reservoir systems.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact for Water Department in FY 2022 is an amount not to exceed \$35,812.00 with the remaining costs of \$64,752.00 to be budgeted in future years through the annual budget process.

FUNDING DETAIL:

Fund:	4010 - Water Fund
Organization/Activity:	30210 – Choke Canyon Dam
Mission Element:	061 – Manage raw water storage
Project # (CIP Only):	
Account:	530200 – Telephone service

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this motion authorizing a five-year service agreement with VTX1 Companies of Raymondville, Texas

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Co-op Service Agreement