



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting August 29, 2023

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Lower Colorado River Authority "LCRA" Radio Integration Interlocal

CAPTION:

Resolution authorizing execution of an interlocal cooperation agreement with the Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA) for integration of the City's public safety radio system and the LCRA's public safety radio system.

SUMMARY:

The City and the LCRA want to integrate their radio systems. Integrating these radio systems will provide coverage north on Highway 37 and Highway 77 to San Antonio. Also, this integration will provide coverage in Austin, Houston, Galveston and other parts of central Texas. Integrating these radio systems will assist with hurricane evacuations, mutual aid fire responses and other public safety emergencies.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The Corpus Christi radio system does not have radio coverage all the way to San Antonio via Highway 37 or Highway 77 which are evacuation routes. Integrating the LCRA radio system with the Corpus Christi radio system will address the lack of radio coverage on these important evacuation routes. Also, the Coastal Bend Public Safety Radio Coalition will have access to the radio coverage on Highways 37 and 77. There is no charge to be integrated with the LCRA radio system. Each entity will be responsible to maintain their own radio systems per the agreement.

ALTERNATIVES:

City Council could choose not to authorize the interlocal which means the Corpus Christi radio system will not have radio coverage all the way to San Antonio via Highway 37 or Highway 77 which are evacuation routes.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact for this item.

FUNDING DETAILS:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with LCRA.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Resolution
Interlocal Cooperation Agreement