Memorandum



DATE April 3, 2015

Members of the Budget, Finance & Audit Committee: Jerry R. Allen (Chair),
Jennifer Staubach Gates (Vice-Chair), Tennell Atkins, Sheffie Kadane, Philip T. Kingston

SUBJECT Upcoming Agenda Item: Contract Increase for the City's Microwave Communication System

The April 8, 2015 Council Agenda includes an item to authorize supplemental agreement no. 2 to increase the acquisition contract for the design, purchase and installation of additional components to the microwave communication system to provide future increases in capacity with Alcatel-Lucent USA, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$2,027,559 from, \$8,110,238 to \$10,137,797.

The microwave communication system provides voice and data circuits for two-way radio and mobile data computer communications utilized by multiple departments for day-to-day operations and during critical events. This supplemental agreement will allow the City to increase the capacity and bandwidth of the microwave communication system installed last year using a multi-year phased approach. This option provides the ability to gradually grow the system to support City operations when additional capacity is needed.

This solution will provide network connectivity for planned and future information technology (IT) projects. There are two near term projects that will require capacity increases to the microwave network, they are: Police body worn cameras and replacement of the legacy Traffic Management System.

This action does not encumber funds; the purpose of this increase is to establish firm pricing for goods and services, for a specific term, which are ordered on an as needed basis.

Please contact Bill Finch at 670-1890 if you have any questions.

Jill A. Jordan, P.E.

Assistant City Manager

c: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council A.C. Gonzalez, City Manager Warren M.S. Ernst, City Attorney Craig D. Kinton, City Auditor Rosa A. Rios, City Secretary Daniel F. Solis, Administrative Judge Ryan S. Evans, First Assistant City Manager Eric D. Campbell, Assistant City Manager
Mark McDaniel, Assistant City Manager
Joey Zapata, Assistant City Manager
Jeanne Chipperfield, Chief Financial Officer
Sana Syed, Public Information Officer
Elsa Cantu, Assistant to the City Manager – Mayor & Council
William Finch, CIO/Director Communications & Information Systems