Thursday, September 24, 2009

Communications and Technology Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 12

Subject: Approve ratification of an Interlocal Agreement and six amendments with Travis County for security and loss prevention services provided to the Combined Transportation, Emergency & Communications Center in Fiscal Years 2003-2008 in an amount not to exceed \$4,515,318, of which the City's share is \$1,128,829.50; and authorize the negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 7 to purchase these same services for Fiscal Year 2009-2010 in an amount not to exceed \$880,000, of which the City's share is \$220,000, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$5,395,318.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$880,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Operating Budget of the Financial and Administrative Services Department, Communications and Technology Management. The City Of Austin's share is \$220,000. The remaining \$660,000 will be reimbursed by the CTECC partners.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

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Prior Council Action: August 29, 2002 - Resolution authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute an Interlocal Agreement for Operations and Maintenance of CTECC and Supported Systems.

The Travis County's Sheriff's Office (TCSO) has been providing security and loss prevention services in connection with the operation and maintenance of the Combined Transportation, Emergency & Communications Center (CTECC) since February, 2003 based on a Memorandum of Understanding Relating to Security Services for CTECC (MOU) that was approved by the City of Austin Chief Information Officer and Travis County. The MOU was executed and the services were provided under the assumption the MOU was authorized under the Interlocal Agreement for Operations and Maintenance of the Combined Emergency Communications Facility and Supported Systems. This interlocal agreement was approved by Council on August 29, 2002. The costs for these services have been shared since inception by the City and other CTECC partners, with each partner paying 25%.

It recently came to the attention of Communications & Technology Management (CTM) staff that Council's approval of the Interlocal Agreement for Operations and Maintenance of the CTECC Facility and Supported Systems did not eliminate the requirement to take subsequent related agreements and memorandums of understanding, such as the agreement for security services, to Council for approval.

CTM now recognizes that the Memorandum of Understanding for Security Services and six amendments should have been presented to Council for review and approval. CTM is seeking ratification of the agreement and the six amendments.

In addition to the request for ratification, authorization is requested to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 7 to the MOU which will allow Travis County to continue providing uninterrupted security and loss prevention services to the CTECC Facility for Fiscal Year 2009-2010.

The chronological history of the Memorandum of Understanding and the subsequent amendments is attached.