City of Fort Worth, Texas

Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 25COX COMMUNICATIONS CONTRACT AMEND DIGITAL ANT SYS

SUBJECT

(CD 9) Authorize Execution of an Agreement with Hospitality Network, L.L.C. to Provide Cox Private Network Services at the Fort Worth Convention Center; Adopt Appropriation Ordinance Amending Appropriations and Receipts in the Public Events Capital Fund

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

- Authorize execution of an Agreement with Hospitality Network, L.L.C., for Cox Private Network (CPN) services at the Fort Worth Convention Center for a one-time capital outlay of \$214,599.00, advanced payment of \$13,584.00 for the first twelve (12) month service period, and \$1,132.00 per month for months thirteen (13) through thirty-six (36), to be included in future Public Event's Department Operating Budget Proposals, for a total cost of \$255,351.00; and
- Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance adjusting estimated receipts and appropriations in the Public Events Capital Fund by decreasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the FWCC Minor Renovation and Repair project (City Project No. P00053) in the amount of \$97,963.00, and increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the to the FWCC Tech Infrastructure Upgrade project (City Project No. 101412) by the same amount.

DISCUSSION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize execution of an agreement with Hospitality Network, L.L.C., to provide Cox Private Network (CPN) services at the Fort Worth Convention Center (FWCC) for a service period of thirty-six (36) months from the CPN activation date for a total cost of \$255,351.00

Hospitality Network, L.L.C. (CoxHN.com) has been the exclusive provider of voice, data, and internet services at the FWCC for exhibitors and facility users since 2022. Hospitality Network and Cox Communications will design, install, and deliver a MOCN neutral host solution (MOCN Neutral Host Service) providing public cellular connectivity to the City at the CPN Service Locations utilizing indoor private cellular radios operating in the CBRS band (3.5 GHz Citizens Broadband Radio Spectrum). All CPN Service Equipment will be installed and operated from the City premises at the CPN Service Location leveraging City-supplied local area networks (LAN) interconnects and public wide area networks (WAN) connectivity managed by Cox Hospitality Network.

Voice and data services for the Public Events Department administrative offices will continue to be provided by the City of Fort Worth's (City) Information Technology Solutions (ITS) Department.

City shall be responsible for paying the following fees and charges for the CPN Services (CPN Charges) to Cox Communications: the non-recurring charge of \$214,599.00 on or after the CPN Service Period Commencement Date and the recurring charges of \$1,132.00 monthly, in advance for the first 12 months, beginning on or after the CPN Services are activated. Service fees for months 13-36 will be included in future operating budget proposals of the Public Events Department.

Installation and Hardware	\$ 214,599.00
Service Fee (Months 1-12) of Service	\$ 13,584.00
Service Fee (Months 13-36) of Service	\$ 27,168.00
TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET	\$ 255,531.00

Funding is budgeted in the Public Events Capital and the Culture & Tourism Cap Projects Funds for the Public Events Department for the purpose of funding the FWCC Tech Infra Upgrade.

The Fort Worth Convention Center is located in COUNCIL DISTRICT 9 but will benefit all council districts.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are currently available in the FWCC Minor Renovation & Repair & FWCC Tech Infra Upgrade projects within the Public Events Capital and Culture & Tourism Cap Projects Funds and upon approval of the above recommendations and adoption of the attached appropriation ordinance, funds will be available in the Public Events Capital Fund for the FWCC Tech Infra Upgrade project to support the above recommendations and execution of the contract. Prior to an expenditure being incurred, the Public Events Department has the responsibility of verifying the availability of funds.

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