

# Mayor and Council Communication

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**M&C FILE NUMBER:** M&C 25-0830

**LOG NAME:** 04TELECOMMUNICATIONS SVCS TEX-AN NETWORK DIR-CTS-CSA-E11-861

## **SUBJECT**

(ALL) Authorize Execution of an Amendment to the Agreement with the Texas Department of Information Resources to Increase the Total Contract Amount by \$300,000.00 for the Next Five Years for Telecommunication Services for City Departments Through Information Technology Solutions Department

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## **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council authorize execution of the First Amendment to City Secretary Contract No. 56785 with the State of Texas Department of Information Resources, Communications Technology Services Division to increase the total contract amount by \$300,000.00 to continue provision of Telecommunication Services for the next five years, approximately \$60,000.00 annually, for City Departments through the Information Technology Solutions Department.

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## **DISCUSSION:**

On November 12, 2021, the City executed City Secretary Contract (CSC) No. 56785 with the State of Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR), Communications Technology Services Division, (CTS), a governmental entity, for telecommunications services including long-distance services for all City departments; Texas DIR Contract number is DIR-CTS-CSA-E11-861.

The agreement with DIR/CTS provides connectivity through various transmission methods to the TEX-AN network for specific communications services including but not limited to video, voice, routed data, internet and/or equipment services and allows DIR/CTS to assist and advise the customer, (City) to determine the best and most economical usage of the services. The Communications Service Agreement is the City of Fort Worth agreeing that DIR will act as the billing agent for services provided by a DIR contracted vendor.

The State of Texas DIR is authorized to offer the Cooperative Purchasing Program to state agencies, public institutions of higher learning, public school districts and local governments. Pursuant to Government Code Section 791.025, a local government that purchases goods and services under the Interlocal Cooperation Act satisfies otherwise applicable competitive bidding requirements.

This Mayor and Council Communication, (M&C), requests authorization to increase the total contract amount by \$300,000.00 for continued telecommunications services over the next five (5) years, approximately \$60,000.00 annually, for a revised total amount of \$400,000.00.

CSC 56785 is an open-ended contract with no expiration date and no renewal term options requiring us to add spend authority instead of renewing. The Agreement is in place until one or both parties, DIR or the City of Fort Worth, mutually agrees to terminate. The language of the agreement cannot be modified.

Funding is budgeted in the General Operating & Maintenance category in the Info Technology Systems Fund for the Information Technology Solutions Department and will be budgeted in future Fiscal Years' Budget.

AGREEMENT TERMS: This Service Agreement will remain in effect unless and until all services are concluded or the Agreement is otherwise terminated in accordance with the provisions of CSC No. 56785. The Agreement is in place until one or both parties, DIR or the City of Fort Worth, mutually agrees to terminate.

ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGE ORDER: Approval of this M&C will utilize the full administrative change order currently allowed by relevant law and the Fort Worth City Code.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This contract will be with a governmental entity, state agency or public institution of higher education: State of Texas Department of Information Resources

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## **FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:**

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the above recommendation funds are available in the current operating budget, as previously appropriated, in the Info Technology Systems Fund to support the execution of the amendment, and upon adoption of future Fiscal Years' Budget by the City Council, funds will be available in the future Fiscal Year's Operating Budget, as appropriated, within the Info Technology Systems Fund. Prior to an expenditure being incurred, the Information Technology Solutions Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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