City of Fort Worth, Texas Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 04TEXAS OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM

SUBJECT

Authorize Execution of a Communications System Agreement with the Texas Office of the Attorney General for Participation in the City of Fort Worth's Two-Way Public Safety Radio System at No Cost to the City of Fort Worth (ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the execution of a Communications System Agreement with the Texas Office of the Attorney General for participation in the City of Fort Worth's two-way Public Safety Radio System at no cost to the City of Fort Worth.

DISCUSSION:

The City of Fort Worth (City) maintains Agreements to provide access to its two-way radio system by other public safety agencies in Tarrant, Johnson, Dallas, Denton, Parker, Ellis and Palo Pinto counties. In return for this access, external agencies help offset the City's expenses through the payment of annual fees. In addition, access to the Fort Worth Public Safety Radio System by multiple jurisdictions enhances the ability of emergency responders to communicate with one another when responding to incidents.

The Texas Office of the Attorney General (OAG) has requested access to operate on the City's Public Safety Radio System. The OAG will provide its own radios and dispatch center, but will utilize the City's radio infrastructure for its public safety communications. Estimated annual revenue is \$9,420.00.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This contract will be with a governmental entity, state agency or public institution of higher education: Texas Office of the Attorney General

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the above recommendation, funds will be deposited into the General Fund. The Information Technology Solutions Department (and Financial Management Services) is responsible for the collection and deposit of funds due to the City and prior to any expense being incurred, the Information Technology Solutions Department also has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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