

**COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE
INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION**

Date : September 29, 2014

To : Marina Dimitrijevic, Chairwoman, County Board of Supervisors

From : Laurie Panella, Interim Chief Information Officer, IMSD

Subject : Request for Authorization to enter into a Lease Agreement with the City of Milwaukee in order to Construct a Tower Site to Support the County's 800MHz Public Safety Communication System

REQUEST

The Department of Administrative Services - Information Management Services Division (IMSD) is requesting authorization to enter into a Lease Agreement with the City of Milwaukee (City) to build a radio tower site to support the implementation of capital project WO614, Build-Out Ten Sites to Digital.

BACKGROUND

IMSD is currently managing a capital expenditure project to replace the existing analog Public Safety Radio System with current digital technology. The system selected was through a competitive process and partnership with Waukesha County that meets federally recommended requirements for interoperability and provides long-term sustainability through new digital technology. Engineering designs of this new system by the vendor, Motorola Solutions, Inc. (Motorola), required tower site locations to be strategically placed within Milwaukee County to properly meet the high standards of signal reliability for public safety agencies' communications. The City site, also known as Engine 38, has been identified as a preferred tower site.

Motorola is responsible for the overall construction and project management of the tower site project. The project includes construction of a 180 foot tower, an equipment storage building, a generator, appropriate connections for gas, electric and network, and a security fence. The Motorola contract, as approved by the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors and the County Executive in December, 2013 for the purchase and implementation of a public safety radio system, includes the cost for this work.

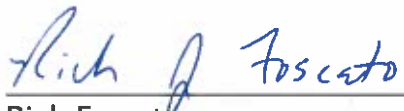
In cooperation with Corporation Counsel, Risk Management, the Department of Administrative Services Architectural and Engineering Division, and the Comptroller's office, negotiations with the City have been successful. The Lease is for a period of twenty-five (25) years with the option for an additional five (5) year extension and includes an annual fee of \$1 per year, to the City, for the life of the contract. The agreement also provides for a provision that allows the City beneficial use of the tower and radio system equipment room for their public radio safety radio needs.

RECOMMENDATION

The Interim Chief Information Officer of the Department of Administrative Services - Information Management Services Division respectfully requests authorization to execute a lease agreement with the City of Milwaukee for use of land to build a public safety radio site.

FISCAL IMPACT

The rent owed by Milwaukee County to the City shall be one dollar (\$1.00) per year tendered to the City's Office of the City Treasurer.

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