# **COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE**

#### INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION

DATE: March 5, 2015

TO: Supervisor Marina Dimitrijevic, Chairwoman, County Board of Supervisors

FROM: Christine Westrich, Director, Office of Emergency Management

SUBJECT: Request for Authorization to enter into an amendment of an existing Lease

Agreement with T10 MelTel LLC for implementation of the OASIS 800

MHz Public Safety Radio System

## **REQUEST**

The Office of Emergency Management (OEM) is requesting authorization to enter into an amendment of the Utility Lease and Tower Agreement with T10 MelTel LLC in order to modify the existing premises to install microwave backhaul for capital project WO614, Build-Out Ten Sites to Digital, also known as the digital migration of the OASIS 800 MHz Public Safety Radio System.

### **BACKGROUND**

In 1999, Milwaukee County entered into a Lease Agreement with the Television Station WJJA for installation and operation of radio antennas on their broadcast tower. In 2005, a second Lease Agreement was entered into for utilities to include redundant power supply and communications equipment.

The 500-foot guyed tower was then bought in 2012 by the T10 MelTel LLC, based out of Frederick, MD, which operates as a site management corporation.

Currently, the Office of Emergency Management is implementing the capital project WO614, Build-Out Ten Sites to Digital, also known as the digital migration of the OASIS 800 MHz Public Safety Radio System.

This tower is one of the ten sites in the project located in Oak Creek, WI. It is necessary to replace the existing antennas on the tower and to add two additional microwave dishes and related equipment in order to migrate from analog to digital.

The contracted vendor, Motorola Solutions and their engineers, have deemed it necessary to reinforce the existing tower based on 1) a 90 mph wind speed with no ice and 2) 40 mph wind with  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch ice per as referenced by Wisconsin Building Code.

The engineering work involves replacing bracing members and retensioning the guy cables.

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Director of the Office of Emergency Management respectfully requests authorization to enter into an amendment of the Utility Lease and Tower Agreement with T10 MelTel LLC for the successful implementation of the OASIS 800 MHz Public Safety Radio System.

## FISCAL IMPACT

The cost is \$75,000, which was included in Change Order #2 of the Contract for Service with Motorola Solutions Inc. This contract was authorized for execution by Milwaukee County Resolution #13-886, for a not to exceed of \$17,751,797.

T10 MelTel LLC is contributing \$4,000 in capital to the reinforcement project.

The total monthly rent is increasing from \$1,420 to \$1,800, retroactively as of December 1, 2014. Additionally, on the first day of each December thereafter, an escalator of 3% is in place, a reduction from the previously negotiated escalator of 8%. The operating costs increase the first year by \$4,560.

Christine Westrich

Director, Office of Emergency Management

Attachments: T10 MELTEL LLC Amendment to Lease Agreement

Resolution T10 MELTEL LLC Amendment to Lease Agreement Fiscal Note T10 MELTEL LLC Amendement to Lease Agreement

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