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(ITEM) From the Office of the Sheriff, requesting authorization to execute a Professional Services Contract with CenturyLink with a one-time prepaid commission payment of \$200,000 and a prepaid commission payment of \$1,390,000 on each contract anniversary date, for the provision of inmate telephone services for the Milwaukee County Jail and the House of Correction for a two-year term with three one-year renewal options, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 56 of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances, the Office of the Sheriff (Sheriff) is requesting referral to proper committees for review, disposition, and authorization to execute an inmate telephone contract at the Milwaukee County Jail and House of Correction (HOC); and

WHEREAS, under a current contract, CenturyLink is providing inmate telephone services at the Milwaukee County Jail and HOC; and

WHEREAS, on November 20, 2015, a Request for Proposals (RFP) was published with responses due on December 23, 2015, and an evaluation committee of seven members reviewed the proposals and the Sheriff is anticipating entering into a contract with the successful vendor by February 1, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff received two proposals in response to the RFP (#7060) and the evaluation committee reviewed and scored the proposals and CenturyLink, the existing vendor, was scored the highest by all evaluators based upon financial condition, scope of operations, and detailed response; and

WHEREAS, CenturyLink submitted a proposal with a commission rate of 70.1% with per-minute rates for all domestic collect calls of \$0.35 in Year 1, \$0.28 in Year 2, \$0.14 in Years 3 and beyond, \$0.14 per-minute for all domestic prepaid, collect, and debit calls and \$0.60 per-minute on all international calls (debit only, if allowed); and

WHEREAS, the above contract rates are the maximum allowed according to the Federal Communications Commission ruling WC Docket No. 12.375 governing "Rates for Interstate Inmate Calling Services" issued November 5, 2015, that become immediately effective upon the signing of this contract; and

WHEREAS, at the time of contract signing CenturyLink will provide a one-time prepaid commission payment of \$200,000 with the funds allocated to the Sheriff and the HOC based upon historical call data; and

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WHEREAS, at the time of contract signing and on each contract anniversary date that the contract is in force CenturyLink will prepay a commission amount of \$1,390,000 and a true up performed at the end of each full contract year with the funds allocated to the Sheriff and the HOC based upon historical call data; and

WHEREAS, the contract will be for a minimum two-year period with three one-year renewal options for additional 3rd, 4th, and 5th years for a five year period; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Judiciary, Safety, and General Services, at its meeting of January 21, 2016, recommended adoption of the Sheriff's request (vote 6-0); and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, Personnel, and Audit, at its meeting of January 28, 2016, recommended adoption of the Sheriff's request (vote 8-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Office of the Sheriff is hereby authorized to execute a Professional Services Contract with CenturyLink with a one-time prepaid commission payment of \$200,000 and a prepaid commission payment of \$1,390,000 on each contract anniversary date, for the provision of inmate telephone services for the Milwaukee County Jail and the House of Correction for a two-year term with three one-year renewal options.

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