



Legislation Text

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Agenda Item Name:

Trunk Radio System GRU extension

Presenter:

Tommy Crosby 337-6205, Chief Harold Theus 384-3132

Description:

Extend the agreement with the City of Gainesville and GRU for payment terms for use of the trunk radio system.

Recommended Action:

Approve contract extension

Prior Board Motions:

April 27, 2021, Approve the Resolution terminating the Dispute Resolution process

February 23, 2021, Authorize the Chair to execute an agreement with the City of Gainesville/GRU for the Trunk Radio System for this year only.

- Authorize staff to continue negotiations with GRU to develop a long term partnership agreement for the Trunk Radio System.
- Authorize staff to explore alternate plans for a County-wide radio system in the event the parties are unable to reach an agreement.

April 14, 2020, Staff presented presentation on the proposed ordinance. Board approved authorization to advertise ordinance to amend Ordinance #2016-06, to provide funding for the Radio Management System.

March 14, 2019, BoCC Special Budget Meeting, Commission directed the County Manager to review all the critical safety infrastructure needs in conjunction with the Sheriff and the City of Gainesville and bring back a proposed list that could potentially be used for a half cent sales tax referendum.

October 23, 2018, County Commission Commissioner Hutchinson moved to hear the presentation, discuss alternatives, and funding options. Also provide direction to staff. Federal Engineering recommends that the County continue operating on the current radio system managed by GRUCom, which is alternative 1 of 2 within the final report with the following changes:

1. Direct staff to return with some governance models they believe would be more functional.
2. Direct staff to return with Funding Options including tax initiatives and County debt.

3. Place this item on upcoming Joint City of Gainesville meeting.
4. Direct the County Attorney to work with the appropriate personnel to update County Ordinances to enable the building codes to provide operation of radios within building/structures.
5. Commissioner Chestnut, Commissioner Byerly, Commissioner Hutchinson, and Commissioner Byerly presented comments.

Commissioner Byerly exited at 10:28 a.m. due to obligations with the Canvassing Board.

Chair Pinkoson presented comments. The motion carried 3-0 with Commissioner Byerly out of the room.

October 10, 2017, County Commission approved the RFP ranking and authorized staff to negotiate an agreement.

November 14, 2016, joint City/County Commission meeting, both commissions authorized the Radio Management Board to obtain a radio system consultant.

December 7, 2015, joint City/County Commission meeting, both commissions authorized the Radio Management Board (RMB) to hire a radio system consultant.

Fiscal Consideration:

Funds are available in the FY22 budget to cover the operational cost.

Background:

Resolution 2021-49 adopted on April 27th by the ABoCC ended the Dispute Resolution with the City and provided an agreement which expires on September 30, 2021.