



Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

Meeting Date: March 11, 2014

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Elected/Appointed Official/Dept. Head: Cyd Grimes

Commissioners Court Sponsor: Judge Biscoe

Agenda Language: Ratify and approve Interlocal Agreement with City of Austin for use of revenue returned under rule 251.3

- **Purchasing Recommendation and Comments:** Purchasing concurs with department and recommends approval of requested action. This procurement action meets the compliance requirements as outlined by the statutes.

On October 1, 2013 Commissioners Court approved a contract to receive funding from the Capital Area Council of Governments (CAPCOG) that allowed disbursements to be used for the purpose of funding eligible 9-1-1 system operation and network expenditures in compliance with the use of revenue under Commission On State Emergency Communications Rule 251.3.

This agreement will serve to allow the disbursement of \$314,043 from Travis County for the sole purpose of reimbursing and funding eligible 9-1-1 system operation and network expenditures in compliance with rule 251.3 of the Texas Health and Safety Code.

These expenditures are associated with the purchase of 9-1-1 and Radio Recording Enhancement and Redundancy manufactured by Nice Systems, for the Combined Transportation Emergency Communications Center (CTECC) and the 9-1-1 backup center, equipment, services, and training.

The delay for presenting this Interlocal Agreement to the Court for approval was due to the time required for legal review by, and appropriate signatures from the City of Austin officials.

- **Contract Expenditures:** Within the last ___ months \$0.00 has been spent against this contract/requirement.

➤ **Contract-Related Information:**

Award Amount: \$314,043

Contract Type: Interlocal Agreement

Contract Period: October 1, 2013 – September 30, 2014

➤ **Contract Modification Information: N/A**

Modification Amount:

Modification Type:

Modification Period:

➤ **Solicitation-Related Information: N/A**

Solicitations Sent:

Responses Received:

HUB Information:

% HUB Subcontractor:

➤ **Special Contract Considerations: N/A**

Award has been protested; interested parties have been notified.

Award is not to the lowest bidder; interested parties have been notified.

Comments:

➤ **Funding Information:**

SAP Shopping Cart #: N/A

Funding Account(s): 1470040001/511830

Funds Reservation No. 300001048

Comments:



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*Emergency Management
Pete Baldwin, Emergency Mgmt.
Coordinator*

*Fire Marshal
Hershel Lee*

*Medical Examiner
Dr .David Dolinak*

MEMORANDUM

To: Travis County Commissioners Court
From: Danny Hobby, County Executive, Emergency Services
Date: February 10, 2014
Subject: Use of Revenue Returned Under Rule 251.3

*STAR Flight
Casey Ping, Program Director*

This request is for Travis County Commissioners Court to consider and take appropriate action on approving an "Interlocal Cooperation Agreement For Use Of Revenue Returned Under Rule 251.3 Between City Of Austin And Travis County", allowing for the disbursement of \$314,043 from Travis County.

Travis County will provide funds for the sole purpose of reimbursing and funding eligible 9-1-1 system operation and network expenditures in compliance with rule 251.3 of the Texas Health and Safety Code. These expenditures are associated with the design of a 9-1-1 system and/or the purchase and maintenance of equipment and personnel necessary to establish and operate answering points and related operations within Travis County.

The funding will be used for the purchase of NICE 9-1-1 and Radio Recording Enhancement and Redundancy for the Combined Transportation Emergency Communications Center ("CTECC") and the 9-1-1 Backup Center, equipment, services, and training.

Last October 1, 2013, the Commissioners Court approved a contract to receive funding from the Capital Area Council of Governments ("CAPCOG") that would allow disbursements to be used for the purpose of funding eligible 9-1-1 system operation and network expenditures in compliance with the use of revenue returned under Commission On State Emergency Communications Rule 251.3.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT
FOR USE OF REVENUE RETURNED UNDER RULE 251.3
BETWEEN CITY OF AUSTIN AND TRAVIS COUNTY

This Agreement is by and between Travis County, a political subdivision of Texas ("County"), and the City of Austin, a Texas home rule municipality ("City"), (City and County collectively referred to as the "Parties" or individually referred to as a "Party").

RECITALS

Travis County is a member of Capital Area Council Of Governments ("CAPCOG"). Pursuant to Rule 251.3, the Commissioner on State Emergency Communications Rule for the Largest County, CAPCOG must return certain funds to County. County must use these funds for the sole purpose of reimbursing and funding eligible 9-1-1 system operation and network expenditures in compliance with that rule.

The purpose of this agreement is to provide the City funds for the purchase of 9-1-1 system related equipment, maintenance, services, and training to support the Combined Transportation, Emergency and Communications Center ("CTECC") public safety answering point operations.

Both County and City are authorized pursuant to TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN., Chapter. 791, to enter into an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for the purpose described in this agreement, to which both City and County benefit.

AGREEMENT

NOW, THEREFORE, County and City agree to the following terms and conditions:

- 1 Term. This agreement commences on October 1, 2013, and ends on September 30, 2014, unless terminated or amended ("Contract Year"). The Agreement is effective on the date that it is signed by the last party ("Effective Date").
- 2 City Responsibilities.
 - 2.1. During the Contract Year, City shall only use the funds provided under this agreement for purchase of communications equipment, facilities, and services directly related to 9-1-1 emergency response that supports the CTECC public safety answering points operations or reimbursements for these purchases or both in compliance with the expenditures described in Attachment A to support CTECC public safety answering point operations.
 - 2.2. Notice of Completed Expenditures. Within sixty (60) days of the date of the City's last purchase made under this agreement, City shall provide County with a description of City expenditures or reimbursements or both with the funds received from County as stated in this agreement.

2.3. Current Revenue Payments. City shall pay for or reimburse itself or both as stated in this agreement only with current revenue funds that consist of the County's one-time transfer of \$314,043 to the City.

2.4. Compliance with Laws. City shall comply with all applicable laws, rules and regulations in the performance of this agreement.

3 County Responsibilities.

3.1. Determination of Funding. County has determined the types of expenditures that would most benefit the 9-1-1 system, the total amount of funding available for the City's 9-1-1-related purchases in the Contract Year, and this is described in Attachment A.

3.2. Current Revenue Payments. Within 30 days after the Effective Date of this Agreement, County shall make a one-time transfer of \$314,043 from current revenue funds to the City for 9-1-1-related purchases and expenditures described in Attachment A.

3.3. Compliance with Laws. County shall comply with all applicable laws, rules and regulations in the performance of this agreement.

4 Liability. County is not liable for any claims, damages or attorney's fees of every kind for injury to or death of any person and for damages to or loss of property arising in whole or in part, directly as a result of this agreement.

5 Retention, Accessibility and Audit of Records.

5.1. Retention. City shall maintain all records and documentation for all 9-1-1-related purchases made under this agreement in a readily available state and location for three (3) years after the agreement term in which City last received funds or until all audit and litigation matters that either Party has brought to the attention of the other Party are resolved, whichever is longer.

5.2. County Access. Subject to reasonable notice, City shall give County, or its duly authorized representatives, access to and the right to examine all records, and other papers related to 9-1-1-related purchases made under this agreement, at reasonable times and for reasonable periods. These rights to access continue as long as these records are retained by City.

5.3. County Audit. County has the right to conduct a financial audit of the City's performance of this agreement at County's expense. City agrees to permit County, or its authorized representatives, to audit City's records that relate to this agreement and to obtain any document, materials or information necessary to facilitate this audit.

- 6 Limit on County Agents. No agent, official, employee, or representative of County has the authority to amend or assign this agreement or waive violations of it unless expressly granted this specific authority by the Commissioners Court.
- 7 County Right to Contract: Other Entities. County may contract with other entities to provide for the use of other revenue returned pursuant to Rule 251.3.
- 8 Breach. The failure of either party to comply with the terms and conditions of this agreement is a breach of this agreement.
- 9 Mediation. When mediation is acceptable to both parties in resolving a dispute arising under this agreement, the parties agree to use a mutually agreeable mediator, or a person appointed by a court of competent jurisdiction, for mediation as described in the TEX. CIV. PRAC. AND REM. CODE ANN., §154.023. Unless both parties are satisfied with the result of the mediation, the mediation will not constitute a final and binding resolution of the dispute. The parties may agree, in writing, to waive the confidentiality requirement of certain records and communications of the mediation stated in TEX. CIV. PRAC. AND REM. CODE ANN., §154.073.
- 10 Termination.
- 10.1. County Termination. County may terminate this agreement for one or more of the following reasons at any time in compliance with 10.2.
- 10.1.1. City has failed to use the funds provided in compliance with this agreement and Rule 251.3, or
- 10.1.2. City has failed to comply with any term or condition of this agreement.
- 10.2. Procedure. At least twenty (20) days before the effective date of termination, County must notify City in compliance with Section 15 below of the decision to terminate this agreement, the existence and nature of the breach, and the effective date of termination. City may avoid termination of this agreement pursuant to 10.1 if City cures the breach to the satisfaction of County within twenty (20) days of receipt of this notice. This time to cure may be extended, at the sole discretion of County, as long as the City diligently continues to work toward completion of the cure. If the breach is not cured to the satisfaction of County prior to the effective date of termination or any extension of the date allowed by County in writing, the City is in default and the participation of the City is automatically terminated on that date.
- 10.3. City Termination. City may terminate this agreement at any time in compliance with 10.4 if County has failed to comply with any term or

condition of this agreement:

10.4. Procedure. At least twenty (20) days before the date of termination, City must notify County in compliance with Section 15 below of the decision to terminate this agreement, the reasons for termination, and the effective date of termination. County may avoid termination of this agreement if County corrects the causes of the reasons for termination stated in the notice to the satisfaction of the City prior to the effective date of termination.

10.5. Mutual Termination. Either party has the right to terminate this agreement when both parties agree, in writing, that the continuation of the activities under this agreement would not produce beneficial results commensurate with the further expenditure of funds and what conditions of termination will apply, including the effective date of termination.

11 Non-Waiver and Reservation of Remedies.

11.1. Non-Waiver. Any act of forbearance by either party to enforce any provision of this agreement must not be construed as a modification of this agreement or as a waiver of any breach or default of the other party which then exists or may subsequently exist. The failure of either party to exercise any right or privilege granted in this agreement must not be construed as a waiver of that right or privilege. In this agreement, County and City do not waive any immunity or defense that would otherwise be available to them against claims arising in the exercise of their governmental powers and functions.

11.2. Reservation of Rights and Remedies. All rights of both parties under this agreement are specifically reserved. Any payment, act or omission by a party must not impair or prejudice any remedy or right of that party under this agreement. Any right or remedy stated in this agreement must not preclude the exercise of any other right or remedy under this agreement at law or at equity, nor must any action taken in the exercise of any right or remedy be deemed a waiver of any other rights or remedies.

12 Entire Agreement.

12.1. Attachment. Attachment A- 9-1-1 related Equipment, Maintenance, Services, and Training is made a part of this contract.

12.2. Agreement All Inclusive. All oral and written agreements between the parties to this agreement relating to the subject matter of this agreement that were made prior to the execution of this agreement have been reduced to writing and are contained in this document.

13 Assignability. Neither party may assign any of the rights or duties created by this agreement without the prior written approval of the other party. It is acknowledged by City that no officer, agency, employee or representative of County has any authority to grant such assignment unless expressly granted that authority by the Commissioners Court.

14 Amendments.

14.1. Amendment of Agreement. Any change to the provisions of this Agreement must be made in writing and signed by both parties: County and City. It is acknowledged by City that no officer, agency, employee or representative of County has any authority to change the provisions of this agreement unless expressly granted that authority by Commissioners Court.

14.2. City Request. City must submit all requests for changes to this agreement to County Executive, Emergency Services. The County Executive, Emergency Services must present the City's requests to Commissioners Court for consideration.

14.3. County Request. County must submit all requests for changes to this agreement to the City Wireless Communication Services Manager. Depending on the nature of the agreement change, the City Wireless Communication Services Manager will present County's requests to either the City Manager or the City Council for consideration.

15 Notices.

15.1. Method of Notice. Any notice required or permitted to be given under this agreement by one party to the other must be in writing and must be given and is deemed to have been given immediately if delivered in person to the address set forth in 15.2 or 15.3 for the party to whom the notice is given, or on the third day following mailing if placed in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, by registered or certified mail with return receipt requested, addressed to the party at the address specified in 15.2 or 15.3.

15.2. Address of County. The address of County for all purposes under this contract must be:

Cyd V. Grimes (or her successor in office)
Travis County Purchasing Agent
P. O. Box 1748
Austin, Texas 78767-1748

and

Danny Hobby (or his successor)
County Executive, Emergency Services
P. O. Box 1748
Austin, Texas 78767-1748

15.3. Address of City. The address of the City for all purposes under this agreement and for all notices hereunder must be:

Stephen Elkins
Chief Information Officer
City of Austin
CTM Riverside
1124 South IH-35, Suite 300, Austin, TX 78704

With copies to (registered or certified mail is not required):

Chuck Brotherton
Wireless Communication Services Manager
Wireless Communication Services Division
City of Austin
1006 Smith Road, Austin, TX 78721

15.4. Change of Address. Each party may change the address for notice to it by giving notice of the change in accordance with the provisions of 15.1.

16 Interpretation of Contract.

16.1. Third Party Rights Not Created. This agreement is not intended and shall not be construed to create any rights or remedies in any person or legal entity that is not a party to it and neither County nor City is waiving any defense or immunity to which it is entitled against any person or legal entity that is not a party to it.

16.2. Law. This agreement is governed by the laws of Texas and is performable in Travis County, Texas.

16.3. Severability. If any portion of this agreement is ruled invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the agreement must be construed as if that portion were not included in the agreement and the remainder must remain valid and binding.

16.4. Definitions. In this Agreement,

16.4.1. City Council. "City Council" means the City Council of the City of Austin.

16.4.2. Commissioners Court. "Commissioners Court" means the Travis County Commissioners Court.

16.4.3. Contract Year. "Contract Year" means the 12-month term of this agreement that begins on October 1, 2013, and ends on September 30, 2014.

16.4.4. Day. "Day" means calendar day.

16.4.5. Equipment. "Equipment" means the radios, pagers, console equipment, computer hardware and software and other communications equipment described in Attachment A and operated by City.

16.5. Computation of Time. When any period of time is stated in this agreement, the time must be computed to exclude the first day and include the last day of the period. If the last day of any period falls on a Saturday, Sunday or a day that either County or City has declared a holiday for its employees, these days must be omitted from the computation.

16.6. Number and Gender. Words of any gender in this agreement must be construed to include any other gender and words in either number must be construed to include the other unless the context in the agreement clearly requires otherwise.

16.7. Headings. The headings at the beginning of the various provisions of this agreement have been included only to make it easier to locate the subject matter covered by that section or subsection and are not to be used in construing this agreement.

17 Legal Authority.

17.1. City Signors. The person or persons signing this agreement on behalf of City, or representing themselves as signing this agreement on behalf of City, do hereby warrant and guarantee that he, she or they have been duly authorized by City to sign this agreement on behalf of City and to bind City validly and legally to all terms, performances, and provisions in this agreement.

17.2. County Signors. The person or persons signing this agreement on behalf of County, or representing themselves as signing this agreement on behalf of County, do hereby warrant and guarantee that he, she or they have been duly authorized by County to sign this agreement on behalf of County and to bind County validly and legally to all terms, performances, and provisions in this agreement.

18 Duplicate Originals.

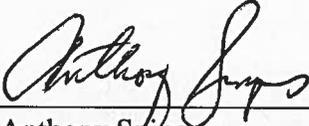
18.1. This document is executed in duplicate originals.

TRAVIS COUNTY

By: _____
Samuel T. Biscoe, County Judge
Travis County, Texas

Date: _____

CITY OF AUSTIN

By:  _____
Anthony Stripes
Assistant City Manager

Date: 2/11/14

**City and County
Interlocal Cooperation Agreement**

Attachment A – 9-1-1-Related Equipment, Maintenance, Services, and Training

The Equipment, Maintenance, Services, and Training that the City is authorized to purchase, or to have expenses reimbursed, under this Agreement during the Contract Year, includes but is not limited to the following:

1. 9-1-1 Emergency Telephony and Radio Recording Systems Enhancement and Redundancy for CTECC and 9-1-1 Backup Center: Equipment, Services, and Training.

The total funding available for City under this Agreement during Contract year for 9-1-1-related purchases and/or reimbursements is \$314,043.00.

Agency	Equipment, Facilities, Services	Price Each	Qty	Subtotal	Total
CITY	NICE 9-1-1 and Radio Recording Enhancement and Redundancy for CTECC and 9-1-1 Backup Center, equipment, services, training	\$314,043		\$314,043	\$314,043
TOTAL					\$314,043