

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

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| TO: | Mayor and Councilors |
| AGENDA SUBJECT: | Continuation of Cellular Telephone Services (Annual Contract) – Georgia State Contract Cooperative Purchase |
| INITIATED BY: | Finance Department |

It is requested that Council authorize the continuation of cellular telephone services with Verizon Wireless Services, LLC (Newnan, GA), through June 30, 2024, via Georgia State Contract (Georgia Technology Authority) 9800-GTA794-V. Additionally, approval is requested to continue utilizing the cooperative contract per renewals authorized by the State.

Verizon Wireless is one of the vendors to whom Georgia Technology Authority awarded a contract, from January 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017, for wireless communication services. Per Resolution No. 93-14, dated March 11, 2014, Columbus Council authorized the procurement of cellular telephone services from Verizon Wireless.

In June 2017, the Georgia Technology Authority extended the contract through June 30, 2022. Per Resolution No. 249-17, dated On July 11, 2017, Columbus Council authorized the continuation of the services through June 30, 2022.

On June 29, 2022, the Georgia Technology Authority extended the contract through June 30, 2024. Therefore, it is in the City’s best interest to continue with Verizon Wireless under the extended Georgia State Contract 9800-GTA794-V.

Funding will be budgeted each fiscal year for this on-going expense: Various Accounts – Mobile Phone – 6622.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CONTINUATION OF CELLULAR TELEPHONE SERVICES WITH VERIZON WIRELESS SERVICES, LLC (NEWNAN, GA), THROUGH JUNE 30, 2024, VIA GEORGIA STATE CONTRACT (GEORGIA TECHNOLOGY AUTHORITY) 9800-GTA794-V; AND AUTHORIZING CONTINUED UTILIZING OF THE COOPERATIVE CONTRACT PER RENEWALS AUTHORIZED BY THE STATE.

WHEREAS, Verizon Wireless is one of the vendors to whom Georgia Technology Authority awarded a contract, from January 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017, for wireless communication services. Per Resolution No. 93-14, dated March 11, 2014, Columbus Council authorized the procurement of cellular telephone services from Verizon Wireless; and,

WHEREAS, in June 2017, the Georgia Technology Authority extended the contract through June 30, 2022. Per Resolution No. 249-17, dated On July 11, 2017, Columbus Council authorized the continuation of the services through June 30, 2022; and,

WHEREAS, on June 29, 2022, the Georgia Technology Authority extended the contract through June 30, 2024. Therefore, it is in the City’s best interest to continue with Verizon Wireless under the extended Georgia State Contract 9800-GTA794-V.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

That the City Manager is hereby authorized to continue cellular telephone services with Verizon Wireless Services, LLC (Newnan, GA), through June 30, 2024, via Georgia State Contract (Georgia Technology Authority) 9800-GTA794-V. Additionally, the City Manager is further authorized to continue utilizing the cooperative contract per renewals authorized by the State. Funding will be budgeted each fiscal year for this on-going expense: Various Accounts – Mobile Phone – 6622.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the _____ day of _____, 2022 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

- Councilor Allen voting _____.
- Councilor Barnes voting _____.
- Councilor Crabb voting _____.
- Councilor Davis voting _____.
- Councilor Garrett voting _____.
- Councilor House voting _____.
- Councilor Huff voting _____.
- Councilor Thomas voting _____.
- Councilor Tucker voting _____.
- Councilor Woodson voting _____.

Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

B.H. “Skip” Henderson III, Mayor