Staff Report

Subject: Public Wi-Fi Service

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Meeting Date: February 18, 2025

Item Description: Consideration to renew the Public Wi-Fi Service Agreement with Planters Communications LLC for a one-year period from March 20, 2025 to March 20, 2026.

Summary Recommendation: Approval to renew

Executive Summary/Background:

- The recreation complex is a state-of-the-art facility that requires fiber optic cable service in order to offer a public Wi-Fi system as well as point-of-sale equipment at the concession stand.
- County data communications for the Parks and Landscapes Department is also provided by this connection and when the Recreation and Sports Management Department move to the complex, their data communications will be provided by this connection also.
- Planters Communications has fiber optic on site.
- The Planters Foundation gave the County a grant to pay for the equipment needed for public Wi-Fi.
- The agreement is for the corresponding service required to run the system. The service is top of the line, with 1 gig which handles hundreds of simultaneous users.
- The agreement is for a 72-month period which has to be approved annually by the Board.
- The agreement can be cancelled with 60-days written notice by either party.

Alternatives for Commission to Consider

- 1. Board approval to allow the Agreement with Planters Communications, LLC for the public Wi-Fi service at the Clarence Morgan Recreation Complex to automatically renew for the period March 20, 2025 to March 20, 2026.
- 2. Cancel the agreement and issue a termination letter to Planters Communications, LLC.

Recommended Alternative: 1

Other Alternatives: 2

Department Review: I.T.

Funding Source: \$500 month – General Fund

Attachments: Planters Communications, LLC Service Contract, Multi Year Addendum and No-Disclosure Agreement.