

STAFF REPORT



SUBJECT: Radio System Maintenance Service Agreement

DEPARTMENT: Police

STAFF CONTACT: James Gresham

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the L3 Harris Maintenance Service Agreement for the new radio system

BACKGROUND:

In December of 2021 the council approved the Systems Purchase Agreement with L3 Harris Inc. for a new public safety radio system. The systems purchase agreement comes with a one-year warranty that begins when the system is accepted. Our project consultant, Trott Communications, has negotiated a year 2 to 15 maintenance service agreement with L3 Harris that will warranty the radio system for an additional 14 years. This agreement contains yearly warranty fees as well as replacement costs for certain network hardware at set intervals. In addition, the MSA covers the costs of certain critical spare parts to be kept on hand.

Both the City of Granbury and Hood County have signed a similar agreement with L3 Harris.

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY:

The MSA locks in pricing for the full 15 years of the agreement at today's dollar values. No payment will be due on the agreement until one year after the radio system is completed and accepted. We currently anticipate the first payment (year 2) being due in January of 2024, however this date may change depending on system implementation.

This agreement has also been flattened to generally smooth out the costs over the term but there is still some variations year to year.

ALTERNATIVES

- Do not enter into the maintenance service agreement
- Pay for repairs as needed at current pricing levels
- Replacement equipment as needed at current pricing levels