



Board Report

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RECOMMENDATION:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

Monterey County Information Technology Department, Radio Shop and the Monterey County Sheriff's Department recommend entering into a License Agreement with American Towers, LLC for co-occupancy at the Table Mountain radio communications site, located at Turkey Flat Rd, San Ardo, CA.

Equipment proposed for this location will be two directional antennas (one for transmission of VHF public safety radio communications, and one to provide connectivity to the greater Monterey County NGEN radio system). Additionally, a standard communications rack will be installed in the site which will house the radio equipment, and one standard electrical receptacle to provide power.

Currently there is a portion of south-eastern Monterey County that does not have adequate access to public safety communications. Placement of equipment at this location will help provide essential emergency radio communications services to the Monterey County Sheriff's Deputies.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

County Counsel has reviewed this agreement and cannot approve due to the following non-standard provisions: County obligation to indemnify and hold harmless Licensor; County obligation to perform a various studies, at County cost, on demand by Licensor; non-standard indemnification and insurance provisions; limitation on amount of Licensor's liability to County and assets available to satisfy liability to County; disclaimers of warranty; potential County liability for attorneys' fees; interest charges on past due amounts; and Licensor's right to require County to remove or relocate its telecommunications equipment.

The Auditor-Controller has reviewed and approved as to payment provisions.

FINANCING:

The lease amount was not known to the Sheriff's Office at the time of budget submission and approval. The funds for payment of this lease agreement in the amount of \$19,000 will be absorbed in the FY 2017-18 Adopted Budget for the Sheriff's Office. Transactions relating to future fiscal years will be included in each respective Recommended Budgets.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

This radio site will provide critical radio communications to the south-eastern portion of Monterey County. Currently, there is inadequate access to public safety communications in this area which puts Monterey County Sheriff deputies at risk. This site will also connect to the NGEN system and Emergency Communications Department's Public Safety Access Point to deliver 911 dispatch services to that region.

Mark a check to the related Board of Supervisors Strategic Initiatives

☐ Economic Development
☐ Administration
☐ Health & Human Services
☒ Infrastructure
☒ Public Safety

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Attachments: American Towers, LLC License Agreement

Attachments are on file with the Clerk of the Board