
**NEVADA COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE**



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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: August 6, 2024

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Shannan Moon, Sheriff-Coroner-Public Administrator

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of the Communications System and Services Agreement with Motorola for the purchase of public safety radio tower equipment and related services for Phase 3 the Nevada County Sheriff's Office Radio Infrastructure Improvement Project in the amount of \$317,968 including sales tax, approving the associated capital asset request, and approve the related budget amendment. (4/5ths affirmative vote required)

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the resolution.

FUNDING: Funding for Phase 3 of the Radio Infrastructure Improvement Project (the Project) will come from the Sheriff's Office Rural Counties Fund 1171. The costs related to the Motorola radio equipment is \$317,968 and a budget amendment is requested for FY 24/25.

BACKGROUND: In the Fall of 2022, the Sheriff's Office was approved for Congressionally Directed Funding for a Public Safety Radio Infrastructure Upgrade Project in the amount of \$4,800,000. The total Project cost at that time was estimated at approximately \$6,300,000. This Project will have 3 Phases, but only Phases 1 and 2 are funded with grant revenues.

Phase 1 of this Project consisted of replacing the Subscriber Radios - 78 vehicle radios, 96 handheld radios and associated equipment that is utilized by the Sheriff's Office for their field personnel's operational communication needs. Phase 1 is nearly complete, with mobile vehicle radio installations currently underway.

Phase 2 and 3 of the Project include installation of upgraded radio equipment at 9 tower locations throughout Nevada County as well as surrounding jurisdictions. Eight of the locations (Phase 2) have existing tower infrastructure, and so the only improvements to these sites are to install the radio equipment. See related item SR 24-1247 for approvals related to Phase 2.

One additional site (Phase 3), where there is currently no existing tower or equipment vault, is currently being explored and has thus far received several preliminary approvals from the landowner. As this phase of the Project may extend beyond the term of the grant, it will be funded with Sheriff Rural Counties funding (Fund 1171).

The Sheriff's Office has received sole source authorization from the Department of Justice (DOJ) to purchase all equipment for the Project from Motorola. The Notice to Proceed letters with Motorola were approved by the Board of Supervisors on June 25, 2024, via Resolution 24-1181 in order to lock in favorable pricing related to a State of California-Motorola contract that expired on June 30, 2024. So, while the specific site is yet to be finalized for Phase 3, the Sheriff's Office wishes to proceed with purchasing the equipment for Phase 3 now to take advantage of the reduced pricing.

Therefore, the Sheriff's Office wishes to proceed with executing the Communications System and Services Agreement with Motorola and seek Board of Supervisors approval of the public safety radio equipment capital assets, for the 1 site location, with a total cost of \$317,968 and requests budget amendment authorization in the same amount.

Initiated by: Robert Jakobs
Approved by: Shannan Moon