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**PURCHASING ITEM
FOR
COUNCIL AGENDA**

1. Agenda Item Number:

23

2. Council Meeting Date:

June 26, 2014

TO: **MAYOR & COUNCIL**

3. Date Prepared: May 30, 2014

THROUGH: **CITY MANAGER**

4. Requesting Department: City Manager

5. **SUBJECT:** Purchase of mobile communication services and equipment.

6. **RECOMMENDATION:** Recommend approval to purchase mobile communication services and equipment from T-Mobile USA utilizing the State of Arizona/Western States Contracting Alliance (WSCA) contract #ADSPO13-034339 in an amount not to exceed \$72,545.

7. **HISTORICAL BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:** The City had been purchasing shared minute cellular services from Sprint/Nextel from October, 2009 through April, 2013. Beginning in May, 2013, the City switched to T-Mobile for these services. Since the migration to T-Mobile the City has reduced annual mobile communication expenditures by 51.2% for a total annual savings of \$76,020.

8. **EVALUATION PROCESS:** The Arizona State Procurement Office adopted the WSCA contract through the signing of an addendum, thus making it a cooperative contract for statewide public entities to utilize. The primary contracted cellular service providers, T-Mobile, Verizon, AT&T and Sprint, were asked to present their plans for consolidated/pooled cellular services for the City based on the WSCA contract pricing. City staff evaluated the plans and conducted field tests to determine who offered the best service and rates. T-Mobile provided the most cost effective solution yielding the greatest savings, provided the best match to the City's requirements and had the best overall plan.

9. **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:** Funds for mobile communication services and equipment will come from various departments' communication telephone service accounts.

10. **PROPOSED MOTION:** Move to approve the purchase of mobile communication services and equipment from T-Mobile USA utilizing the State of Arizona/WSCA contract #ADSPO13-034339 in an amount not to exceed \$72,545.

APPROVALS

11. Requesting Department

Debbie Dufanski-Garcia, Senior Management Assistant

12. Department Head

Steve Philbrick, Chief Information Officer

13. Procurement Officer

Carolee Stees, CPPB

14. City Manager

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