



CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

FROM: The Office of the City Manager **DATE:** November 12, 2018
SUBJECT: Authorize payment to the City of Fort Worth for the annual public safety radio system services infrastructure in the amount of \$177,996.00.

PRESENTER: Billy Owens, Emergency Management Coordinator

SUMMARY:

Consider authorization of payment to the City of Fort Worth in the amount of \$177,996.00 for the annual public safety radio system services infrastructure.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

On May 11, 2009, the City Council authorized the City Manager to execute an updated agreement with the City of Fort Worth for radio system services infrastructure. The agreement is renewed annually and North Richland Hills pays an annual fee for each radio. This item is for radio access fees for the operation of the North Richland Hills public safety radios on the City of Fort Worth radio system for FY 2019.

The current rate is \$34.00 per month, per subscriber radio, payable in advance on an annual basis for all active radio IDs issued to the user at the time of the annual billing. Current billing is for 403 radios at \$408.00 per radio per year. The subtotal cost for annual radio fees this year is \$164,424.00.

New this year is the addition of the Motorola WAVE radio fees that allow public safety and city management staff to access NRH radio channels through an app on their phones. The Motorola WAVE rate is \$39.00 per month, per subscriber phone, billed in the same fashion as a normal radio. Current billing is for 29 Motorola WAVE accounts at \$468.00 per phone per year for a subtotal of \$13,572.00.

The total bill from the City of Fort Worth this year is \$177,996.00. Funding was included in the FY 2018-19 budget for this item.

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize payment to the City of Fort Worth for the annual public safety radio system services infrastructure in the amount of \$177,996.00.