



AGENDA REPORT
December 4, 2018

**Permission to advertise Invitation to Bid for cellular co-location - Radio
Towers**

SUBJECT:

Permission to advertise Invitation to Bid for cellular colocation licensee(s) on towers that are part of the 800 MHz Public Safety Radio System and administered by Emergency Management, execute the resulting agreement(s), and direct the resulting revenue to support the 800 MHz Public Safety Radio System.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There will be no impact to the General Fund. This is a revenue source that can be directed to support the 800 MHz Public Safety Radio System.

DEPT/OFFICE:

Emergency Management

REQUESTED ACTION:

It is requested that the Board of County Commissioners approve advertisement of an Invitation to Bid for future cellular co-location assignments on the County-owned towers dedicated to the 800 MHz Public Safety Radio System, as new spaces become available, subject to agreements with tower site property owners. It is further requested that the County Manager or his designee be authorized to sign/execute any documents and renewals on behalf of the Board as may be required to execute/administer any new license agreements and any subsequent extensions of license, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office and Risk Management; and authorize any associated budgetary changes. It is also requested that this revenue source be directed to support the 800 MHz Public Safety Radio System.

SUMMARY EXPLANATION and BACKGROUND:

These towers belong to Brevard County and are primarily used as a part of the infrastructure of the county-wide public safety radio network. As new radio towers, replacements and improvements are currently taking place, these towers will offer the County the opportunity to create additional revenue through the licensing of available space on the towers from tenants. Emergency Management proposes offering a 20-year license with the baseline annual fee for tenants initially established at \$39,750 with a minimum 3% annual increase -- or the CPI Urban increase for the Brevard area -- whichever is greater.

Licensing of available space on these towers provides funding for the operations of the 800 MHz Public Safety Radio System, reducing reliance on the General Fund. Additional funds are needed to continue the current migration of the Public Safety Radio System to P25 standards.

For precedence, in February 2018 the Board approved a similar initiative to bid out cell tower space located at Sarno Road and to dedicate that income stream to the EOC.

CLERK TO THE BOARD INSTRUCTIONS:

Send Clerk Memorandum to Emergency Management.

ATTACHMENTS:

Description



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December 5, 2018

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Kimberly Prosser, Emergency Management Director

RE: Item F.14., Permission to Advertise Invitation to Bid for Cellular Co-location Licensee Towers that are Part of the 800 MHz Public Safety Radio System

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on December 4, 2018, granted permission to advertise for an Invitation to Bid for future cellular co-location assignments on County-owned towers dedicated to the 800 MHz Public Safety Radio System, as new spaces become available, subject to agreement with tower site property owners; authorized the County Manager, or his designee, to execute any documents and renewals required to administer any new license agreements or subsequent extensions of license, subject to approval by the County Attorney and Risk Management; authorized any associated budgetary changes; and approved the revenue source be directed to support the 800 MHz Public Safety Radio System.

Your continued cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SCOTT ELLIS, CLERK

Tammy Rowe, Deputy Clerk

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cc: County Manager
County Attorney
Finance
Budget