



**City of Missoula, Montana
City Council Committee Agenda Item**

Committee: Public Works and Mobility

Item: Radio Upgrade Project – Interlocal Agreement Between City of Missoula and Missoula County

Date: August 15, 2023

Sponsor(s): Ken Hughes

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Ward(s) Affected:

Ward 1 Ward 4

Ward 2 Ward 5

Ward 3 Ward 6

All Wards N/A

Action Required:

Approve the Radio Upgrade Project – Interlocal Agreement Between City of Missoula and Missoula County.

Recommended Motion(s):

I move the City Council: Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the Radio Upgrade Project – Interlocal Agreement between the City of Missoula and Missoula County for a total not to exceed \$852,600.00.

Timeline:

Committee discussion: August 23, 2023

Council action (or sets hearing): August 28, 2023

Public Hearing (if required): N/A

Final Consideration: N/A

Deadline: N/A

Background and Alternatives Explored:

The City of Missoula’s communications infrastructure is essential to public safety and public works operations. The existing equipment is past its service life, manufacturers’ support, and spare parts and support are no longer available. Failures of this equipment would result in the loss of police communications with 911, Fire Department tactical communications and Public Works operational communications. During Phase 1 of the Radio Upgrade, the City and County individually purchased Motorola dual band radio equipment in September of 2021 to replace obsolete VHF portable and mobile radios that are now in service. Phase 2 is incomplete but intended to replace fixed infrastructure equipment located at City and County communications sites as well as purchasing additional equipment to convert additional City and County channels to 800Mhz. The City and County have a common interest in delivering a successful Project and desire to enter into this Agreement to memorialize the remaining roles and responsibilities.

Financial Implications:

The City agrees to pay an amount not to exceed \$485,000 for equipment and an amount not to exceed \$367,600 for additional equipment, for a total not to exceed \$852,600 to be paid from Road District #1.

Links to external websites:

N/A