



Agenda Item Summary

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Agenda Item Name:

GRUCom Service Agreement for the Replacement, Installation, and Provisioning of Fifteen (15) Existing Fiber Optic Circuits

Presenter:

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Description:

GRUCom Service Agreement for the replacement, installation and provisioning of fifteen (15) existing fiber optic circuits at six (6) tower sites, the Combined Communications Center (CCC), the University Police Department (UPD), backup 9-1-1 Center, and GRUCom operations center.

Recommended Action:

Approve the Service Agreement with GruCom

Prior Board Motions:

On December 12, 2023, the Board approved the final purchase of the Trunked Radio System which included the GRUCom Service Agreement 2024-344 Item #23-00794

On December 10, 2024, the Board approved four (4) Service Agreements related to the Trunked Radio System Agreement between Alachua County and GRUCom Item #24-01073

Fiscal Note:

This service agreement replaces the existing GRUCom agreement #2024-344. There are sufficient funds within the Trunked Radio System budget to cover the one-time installation amount of \$7,205.00 (072.54.5425.529.52.00 Operating Equipment) and a monthly increase for up to two (2) months of \$6,811.35 per month or \$13,622.70 (072.54.5425.529.41.00 Communication Services) while the circuits are being replaced. Once the transition to the new circuits is complete, staff will notify GRUCom to cancel agreement #2024-344.

Strategic Guide:

Public Safety

Background:

The County is enhancing the countywide public safety radio system to increase system resiliency and eliminate the current single point of failure. At present, the prime site located at the Millhopper Tower represents that single point of failure. To address this, a virtual prime site will be established, providing geo-diversity and ensuring continuity of operations.

The County currently has a service agreement with GRUCom for fifteen (15) existing fiber optic circuits that will need to be replaced to implement the geo-diverse prime site. The one-time cost for the circuit replacement is \$7,205.00. During the implementation and go-live period, there will be approximately two (2) months when the old circuits and the new circuits are both active. Staff anticipates deactivating the old circuits as soon as possible to minimize the additional costs. The estimated cost of this overlap is \$6,811.35 per month or \$13,622.70. Once installation is complete the old circuits will be inactive, and the County will no longer incur charges.