



# REPORT TO COUNCIL City of Sacramento

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CONSENT

June 23, 2009

Honorable Mayor and  
Members of the City Council

**Title:** Interagency Lease Agreement: City of Sacramento/County of Sacramento -  
Sacramento Regional Radio Communications System

**Location/Council District:** 918 Del Paso Road, County of Sacramento.

**Recommendation:** Adopt a **Resolution:** 1) authorizing the City Manager or the City Manager's designee to execute a ten-year lease with five, five-year options between the City of Sacramento (City) and the County of Sacramento (County) to allow the placement of a 260' telecommunication tower and related emergency responder radio equipment at the North Area Corporation Yard; and 2) authorizing the City Manager or the City Manager's designee to execute such additional documents and to take such additional actions as necessary to implement the Lease Agreement..

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**Presenters:** Not applicable

**Department:** Information Technology

**Division:** Technical Support Services

**Department ID:** 07001251

## **Description/Analysis**

**Issue:** Sacramento Regional Radio Communications System (SRRCS) provides the public safety and local government communications radio system for the greater Sacramento regional area. This includes the City's public safety agencies and all of its local government departments. Becoming operational in 1995, SRRCS is owned and operated by the County of Sacramento. At the time the system was originally constructed, the northwest portion of the County, primarily



the North Natomas area, was not very populated. Since then, significant population growth has occurred such that the existing radio system coverage is no longer adequate. As a result, the County has requested to lease a portion of the existing North Area Corporation Yard to construct an emergency radio communications site.

**Policy Considerations:** Placement of the telecommunication tower and related radio equipment at the North Area Corporation Yard will support emergency responses of City public safety personnel operating in the Natomas area.

**Environmental Considerations:**

**California Environmental Quality Act:** Approval of the lease is exempt under Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines which exempts the permitting, leasing, licensing or minor alteration of existing public or private structures or facilities. The City's North Area Corporation Yard has space available to locate the SRRCS emergency communications site. The County will obtain all the necessary and required permits to install the emergency communications site.

**Sustainability Considerations:** None

**Rationale for Recommendation:** The City and County acknowledge that sharing facilities benefits each party, and provides each party with improved emergency radio system coverage. Cooperation between the City and County will help to minimize radio system degradation as well as help to ensure the ability of first responders to offer aid to the citizens of the City, as well as the surrounding portions of the County. County tests have determined that the radio signal is weak and the coverage is inadequate in the Natomas area. The tests further indicated that the best place to locate a new tower to strengthen the signal would be the North Area Corp Yard within a 70' x 100' enclosure. The ten-year lease term has five automatic five-year options that allow for a possible 35 years under this agreement. Each party may terminate the agreement after the initial term or after any of the five option periods with a written notice to the other party. The full 35-year term allows the County to amortize of the cost of the tower and equipment as well as provide a long term solution to the current inadequate SRRCS coverage in the northwest part of the County.

**Financial Considerations:** There is no financial obligation for the City related to this lease. The County will fund all construction costs through a multi-million dollar grant obtained from the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Grant from the U.S. Department of Justice. The site is being provided to the County at no cost due to the benefit to the City. Any future revenues obtained from telecommunication collocation on the proposed tower and/or the site area will go to support the radio system at large pursuant to the proposed lease agreement.

**Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD):** No goods or services are being purchased as a result of this report.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-XXXX**

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

June 23, 2009

**LEASE AGREEMENT FOR SACRAMENTO REGIONAL RADIO COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS (SRRCS)**

**BACKGROUND**

- A. The Sacramento Regional Radio Communications System (SRRCS) provides the public safety and local government communications radio system for the greater Sacramento Regional area. This includes the City of Sacramento's (City) public safety agencies and all of its local government departments. Becoming operational in 1995, SRRCS is owned and operated by the County of Sacramento (County).
- B. At the time the system was originally constructed, the northwest portion of the County of Sacramento, primarily the North Natomas area, was not very populated. Since then, significant population growth has occurred such that the existing radio system coverage is no longer adequate.
- C. Installation of an emergency radio communication site on the City's North Area Corporation Yard by the County of Sacramento will expand radio coverage in support of public safety.

**BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

- Section 1. The City Manager or the City Manager's designee is hereby authorized to execute a ten-year lease with five, five-year options between the City and County to allow the placement of a 260' telecommunication tower and related emergency responder radio equipment at the North Area Corporation Yard.
- Section 2. The City Manager or the City Manager's designee is hereby authorized to execute such additional documents and to take such additional actions as necessary to implement the Lease Agreement.

