



**Board of Commissioners of Cook County**

**Technology and Innovation Committee**

**Wednesday, July 24, 2024**

**1:15 PM**

**Cook County Building, Board Room,  
118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois**

**Issued on: 7-16-2024**

**NOTICE AND AGENDA**

There will be a meeting of the Committee or Subcommittee of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County at the date, time and location listed above to consider the following:

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

Authorization as a public speaker shall only be granted to those individuals who have registered to speak, with the Secretary, 24 hours in advance of the meeting. To register as a public speaker, go to the meeting details page for this meeting at <https://cook-county.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx> to find a registration link. Duly authorized public speakers may speak live from the County Board Room at 118 N. Clark Street, 5th Floor, Chicago, IL or be sent a link to virtually attend the meeting and will be called upon to deliver testimony at a time specified in the meeting agenda. Authorized public speakers who are not present during the specified time for public testimony will forfeit their allotted time to speak at the meeting. Public testimony must not exceed three minutes; the Secretary will keep track of the time and advise when the time for public testimony has expired. After each virtual speaker has completed their statement, they will be removed from the meeting. Once removed, you will still be able to follow the proceedings for that day at:

<https://www.cookcountyil.gov/service/watch-live-board-proceedings> or in a viewing area at 69 W. Washington Street, 22nd Floor Conference Room F, Chicago, IL. Persons authorized to provide public testimony shall not use vulgar, abusive, or otherwise inappropriate language when addressing the Board; failure to act appropriately; failure to speak to an item that is germane to the meeting, or failure to adhere to the time requirements may result in expulsion from the meeting and/or disqualify the person from providing future testimony. Written comments will not be read aloud at the meeting, but will be posted on the meeting page and made a part of the meeting record.

**24-4159**

**COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 05/15/2024.

[24-2850](#)

**Presented by:** F. THOMAS LYNCH, Chief Information Officer, Bureau of Technology

**PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT (TECHNOLOGY)**

**Department(s):** Bureau of Technology

**Vendor:** Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless, Annapolis Junction, Maryland

**Request:** Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to renew and increase contract

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Mobile Telecommunication Services

**Original Contract Period:** 10/15/2019 - 10/14/2024, with two (2), one (1) year renewal options

**Proposed Amendment Type:** Renewal and Increase

**Proposed Contract Period:**Renewal period 10/15/2024 - 10/14/2025

**Total Current Contract Amount Authority:** \$10,000,000.00

**Original Approval (Board or Procurement):**Board, 10/24/2019, \$10,000,000.00

**Increase Requested:** \$2,004,424.03

**Previous Board Increase(s):** N/A

**Previous Chief Procurement Officer Increase(s):** N/A

**Previous Board Renewals:** N/A

**Previous Chief Procurement Officer Renewals:** N/A

**Previous Board Extension(s):**N/A

**Previous Chief Procurement Officer Extension(s):** N/A

**Potential Fiscal Impact:** FY 2025 \$2,004,424.03

**Accounts:** 11000-1490-15050-520150

**Contract Number(s):** 1790-16928

**Concurrences:**

The Contract Specific Goal set on this contract is Zero.

The Chief Procurement Officer concurs.

BOT: N/A

**Summary:** This is an amendment of a competitively bid contract for mobile communications to exercise the first-year renewal and increase the original dollar amount for continuation of services. All agencies use this contract for cell phone communication, cellular transmission of data, texting, video, and email.

This contract was awarded through Request for Proposals (RFP) procedures in accordance with Cook County Procurement Code. Verizon was selected based on established evaluation criteria.

**Legislative History :** 5/16/24 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Technology and Innovation Com

[24-3324](#)

**Presented by:** F. THOMAS LYNCH, Chief Information Officer, Bureau of Technology

**PROPOSED CONTRACT (TECHNOLOGY)**

**Department(s):** Bureau of Technology

**Vendor:** AT&T Enterprises, LLC., Bedminster, New Jersey

**Request:** Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to enter into and execute contract

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Landline Telecommunications - Public utilities and public sector related services

**Contract Value:** \$40,000,000.00

**Contract period:** 10/1/2024 - 9/30/2029, with two (2), one-year renewal options

**Potential Fiscal Year Budget Impact:** FY 2024 \$6,000,000.00, FY 2025 \$8,000,000.00, FY 2026 \$8,000,000.00, FY 2027 \$8,000,000.00. FY 2028 \$8,000,000.00, FY 2029 \$2,000,000.00.

**Accounts:** 11000 1490 15050 520150

**Contract Number(s):** 2327-10102

**Concurrence(s):**

The contract-specific goal set on this contract was zero.

The Chief Procurement Officer concurs.

TECHNOLOGY: N/A

**Summary:** The Bureau of Technology is requesting authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to execute a contract with AT&T for landline telecommunication services. Telecommunications plays a crucial role in every aspect of County business across various sectors, including:

1. **Public Safety:** Telecommunications is essential for emergency services to effectively respond to incidents.
2. **Health & Hospitals:** Telecommunications assists healthcare providers in the delivery of telemedicine & telehealth services and the exchange of medical information, improving patient outcomes.
3. **Property Tax:** Telecommunications is crucial to the processing of property tax records and tax payments, assessments, exemptions, and appeals.
4. **Elections:** Telecommunications supports all aspects of the electoral process, including voter registration, automated phone lines for voter inquiries, and communication systems for election staff to coordinate polling locations, ballot counting, and reporting results.
5. **Forest Preserve Communication:** Telecommunication facilitates managing facilities, coordinating events, and providing information to the public including reservation systems for picnics and pavilion permits.
6. **Court Systems:** Telecommunication is essential for communications between judges, attorneys, court staff, and litigants, including video conferencing for remote hearings, electronic filing systems, jury notifications, and Court reminders.
7. **Department of Corrections:** Telecommunication is critical for communications within DoC staff as well as for video surveillance within the jail in addition to home monitoring.

This is a Sole Source Procurement pursuant to Section 34-139 of the Cook County Procurement Code.

**Legislative History :** 6/13/24 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Technology and Innovation Com

[24-2863](#)

**Sponsored by:** TONI PRECKWINKLE (President) and DONNA MILLER, Cook County Board of Commissioners

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**PROMOTING DIGITAL EQUITY THROUGH THE WIDE AREA NETWORK AND BROADBAND EXPANSION**

**WHEREAS**, Article VII, Section 10 of the Constitution of the State of Illinois authorizes and encourages units of local government to contract in any manner not prohibited by law or ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act, 5 ILCS 220/1 et seq. authorizes units of local government to enter into intergovernmental agreements with other public agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, SSMMA is a public agency as defined under Section 2 of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act, 5 ILCS 220/2; and

**WHEREAS**, South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association (SSMMA), owns, manages and maintains a high-speed telecommunications network brand as Chicago Southland Fiber Network (CSFN); and

**WHEREAS**, Cook County & SSMMA have worked as close collaborators regarding CSFN for over a decade, including two previously executed Intergovernmental Agreements - one granting the County an Indefeasible Right of Use of Fiber on CSFN on April 9th, 2014 (Item No. 14-2274) and the second for Broadband Maintenance and Other Related Services on September 14th, 2016 (Item No. 16-5098 and 16-5099); and

**WHEREAS**, Cook County & SSMMA have been collaborating on the expansion of CSFN through Federal and Stant Grants awarded to the County for such purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, Cook County and SSMMA have determined that it is in the best interest of both parties and the network for CSFN to terminate the existing Intergovernmental Agreements which expire in 2034 and enter into a new Intergovernmental Agreement with Cook County through the Office of the President and the Bureau of Technology which allows SSMMA to transfer its rights, ownership and control of the Wide Area Network, including Fiber to Cook County in exchange for \$2 million and assign SSMMA's Interim Operating Agreement with Urbancom.net Fiber Operations, Inc. for broadband maintenance and an indefeasible right of use to Cook County through the Office of the President and Bureau of Technology; and

**WHEREAS**, the assigned Interim Operating Agreement with Urbancom.net Fiber Operations, Inc. is a three-year agreement with two, one-year renewal options. The annual cost of the assigned Interim Operating Agreement is \$1,248,903.00. This includes the cost of maintaining the County's legacy network (\$492,466), which is already captured in the County's annual operating budget and in previous

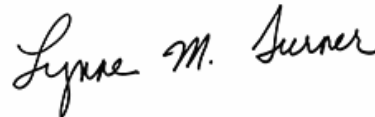
years was paid for through the existing IGA with SSMMA; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wide Area Network enables the Cook County's Oak Forest campus and Markham courthouse to connect the County's high-capacity fiber backbone but this assignment will allow Cook County to expand internet services to southern Cook County and increase its equitable digital footprint as well as allow the County to strategically expand infrastructure.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize the Office of the President and the Bureau of Technology to enter into a new Intergovernmental Agreement with SSMMA for the assignment of SSMMA's rights, ownership, and control of the Wide Area Network previously authorized under Item No.'s 14-2274,16-5098 and 16-5099 in exchange for \$2 million which shall be funded under account 11569.1009.21120.560225; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby authorize the Office of the President and the Bureau of Technology to accept and execute the assignment of SSMMA's Interim Operating Agreement with Urbancom.net Fiber Operations, Inc. at the annual cost of \$1,248,903.00 which is funded under account 11100.1499.15050.520155.

**Legislative History :** 6/13/24 - Board of Commissioners - refer to the Technology and Innovation Com



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Secretary

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Vice-Chair: S. Morrison

Members: Aguilar, Degnen, Gordon, Miller, Quezada, Trevor