



City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 26-1702, **Agenda Item #:** 16.

5/28/2026

Posting Language

Authorize a contract for a control center platform for broadband services for Austin Technology Services with T-Mobile USA Inc./T-Mobile, T-Mobile USA, for an initial term of one year with up to four one-year extension options in an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000. Funding: \$50,000 is available in the Operating Budget of Austin Technology Services.

Lead Department

Austin Financial Services.

Client Department(s)

Austin Technology Services.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$50,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Operating Budget of Austin Technology Services.

Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Procurement Language:

Multiple cooperative purchase programs were reviewed for these goods and services. Austin Financial Services has determined this contractor best meets the needs of Austin Technology Services to provide these goods and services required for the City.

MBE/WBE:

Cooperative Agreement contracts are exempt from the City Code Chapter 2-9B (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program); therefore, no subcontracting goals were established.

For More Information:

Direct questions regarding this Recommendation for Council Action to the Financial Services Department - Central Procurement at FSDCentralProcurementRCAs@austintexas.gov or 512-974-2500.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract is for the T-Mobile Control Center platform to support the management of T-Mobile broadband services for first responder vehicles. The platform will provide Subscriber Identity Module (SIM) and device lifecycle management, automated provisioning, usage monitoring, cost control, security, and connectivity automation all integrated into one platform.

First responder vehicles are currently equipped with a combination of AT&T/FirstNet and Verizon SIMs that allow for connection to Computer-Aided design and Internet of Things devices. Across the city, service availability varies by carrier and by geographical location. By adding T-Mobile broadband service in first responder vehicles and other Internet of Things devices, the City increases carrier diversity and resiliency, supporting continuity of mission-critical communications during carrier-specific outages or degradation.

This is a new contract. The City currently maintains a citywide agreement with T-Mobile for broadband services; however, the existing agreement does not allow for access to the Control Center platform.

The Sourcewell Cooperative is a cooperative purchasing association recognized under Texas procurement statutes. Cooperative associations, themselves or using a lead government, competitively solicit and award contracts that are eligible for use by other qualified state and local governments. Due to their substantial volumes, larger than any one government could achieve independently, cooperative contracts routinely include superior terms, conditions, and pricing. Use of cooperative contracts also results in lower administrative costs and time savings.

If a contract is not approved, first responder vehicles may not be able to receive mission-critical communications during carrier-specific outages or degradation.

Contract Details:

Contract Term	Length of Term	Contract Authorization
Initial Term	1 year	\$500,000
Optional Extension 1	1 year	\$500,000
Optional Extension 2	1 year	\$500,000
Optional Extension 3	1 year	\$500,000
Optional Extension 4	1 year	\$500,000
Total	5 years	\$2,500,000