



MEMORANDUM

City Council Agenda
Item No. X. Q
11/19/2024

The City of OKLAHOMA CITY

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Craig Freeman, City Manager

Concurrence with the Oklahoma City Public Property Authority in approving Amendment No. 2 to Neutrally Hosted, Multi-Sector Distributed Antenna System Access Permit and License Agreement with Cellco Partnership dba Verizon Wireless, documenting the transfer of the Distributed Antenna System headend, currently located in the Cox Convention Center, to the Oklahoma City Convention Center and permitting connection to such Distributed Antenna System, thereby providing enhanced wireless cellular service to the Paycom Center, 100 Mick Cornett Drive. Ward 7.

Location:

Oklahoma City Convention Center, 100 Mick Cornett Drive

Purpose:

Amendment No. 2 to the Distributed Antenna System Access Permit and License Agreement documents the transfer of the Distributed Antenna System (“DAS”) headend from the Cox Convention Center to the Oklahoma City Convention Center and allows Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless, (“Licensee”) to connect to the DAS to provide enhanced wireless cellular service to the Paycom Center.

Background:

On November 5, 2013, the OCPPA approved a Neutrally Hosted, Multi-Sector Distributed Antenna System Access Permit and License Agreement (hereinafter, “License and Permit Agreement”) with the Licensee, permitting the Licensee to connect to the neutrally hosted, multi-sector distributive antenna system installed into the Cox Convention Center and the Paycom Center, formerly known as the Chesapeake Energy Arena. The opportunity to connect to the DAS is non-exclusive and any qualified wireless cellular provider is offered the opportunity to enter into a License and Permit Agreement, which requires the Licensee to pay certain annual license and permit fees and connection fees. By connecting to the DAS, wireless cellular providers are able to boost their signals within the facilities and lessen the incidence of dropped calls in and around the facilities. This opportunity is of benefit to The City, the OCPPA, which operates the Cox Convention Center and the Paycom Center, the wireless cellular providers, and to the citizens who patronize these facilities.

On November 24, 2020, the OCPPA approved Amendment No. 1 to the License and Permit Agreement to document an extension of the DAS into the new Oklahoma City Convention Center. The DAS equipment currently located within the Cox Convention Center continues to service the Paycom Center. It is anticipated that the Cox Convention Center will be demolished in the near future to make way for a new downtown arena. Due to such demolition, the City, the OCPPA, and the Licensee desire to amend certain terms of the Permit and License Agreement to accommodate and document the transfer and connection of Licensee's equipment to the modified DAS in the Oklahoma City Convention Center

Term:

The term of Amendment No. 2 is from November 19, 2024, through June 30, 2028.

Revenue:

The annual base license fee for Amendment No. 2 shall be pursuant to the original Agreement approved on November 5, 2013, and shall be deposited in City Public Property Authority – OCPPA General Purpose – SMG/City Operations – Culture and Recreation – Fees-Other (OCPPA- 490-4560- REV1500-40909000).

Review:

City Manager's Office

Recommendation: Concur with the OCPPA in approving amendment.