



# MEMORANDUM

OCPPA Agenda  
Item No. PPA A  
11/19/2024

## The City of OKLAHOMA CITY

TO: Chairman and Trustees of the Oklahoma City Public Property Authority

FROM: Craig Freeman, City Manager/General Manager, OCPPA

Joint Resolution with The City of Oklahoma City waiving formal competitive bidding, declaring Mobile Communications America, Inc. as a sole source vendor, and approving Amendment No. 2 to Equipment Maintenance and Monitoring Agreement with Mobile Communications America, Inc. (COKC01125), for the purchase and installation of the necessary fiber work, the DC power distribution equipment, and other related system work for the ongoing transfer of the neutrally-hosted, multi-sector distributive antenna system from the Cox Convention Center to the Oklahoma City Convention Center, 100 Mick Cornett Drive, not to exceed \$212,510.43, November 19, 2024 through November 18, 2025 or until the work is complete.

**Location:**

Oklahoma City Convention Center, 100 Mick Cornett Drive

**Purpose:**

To upgrade and install new fiber and other related work for the ongoing transfer of the neutrally-hosted, multi-sector DAS from the Cox Convention Center to the Oklahoma City Convention Center prior to the demolition of the Cox Convention Center.

**Background:**

On February 26, 2013 (Item Nos. PPA.D and VI.X), the Oklahoma City Public Property Authority (OCPPA) and the City of Oklahoma City approved a professional services agreement with Longent LLC for the design, installation, integration and placement of an enhanced Distributive Antenna System (DAS), which allowed cellular service companies to extend cellular carrier service within Chesapeake Energy Arena (now Paycom Center), the Cox Convention Center, as well as allowed for future extension of cellular carrier service into a proposed, yet to be constructed, convention center (now the Oklahoma City Convention Center).

On November 19, 2019, (Item Nos. PPA.C and VII.AI), the OCPPA and Oklahoma City adopted a joint resolution approving a sole source Equipment Maintenance and Monitoring Agreement with Longent LLC, that was effective retroactive to April 17, 2019 through April 16, 2022, for Longent's continued maintenance and monitoring of the DAS. The agreement provided up to two additional three-year terms upon mutual agreement of the parties.

On December 3, 2019, (Item Nos. PPA.A and VII.AI), the OCPPA and the City of Oklahoma City approved assignment from Longent, LLC to Mobile Communications America, Inc. (MCA).

On May 24, 2022, (Item Nos. PPA.G and IX.AX), the OCPPA and the City of Oklahoma City adopted a joint resolution to amend and extend the sole source Equipment Maintenance and Monitoring Agreement with Mobile Communications America, Inc. (MCA) through April 16, 2025. City Council acknowledged that an upgrade of the DAS in the Cox Convention Center was necessary and approved the design of the upgraded DAS. The costs were anticipated to be funded by the wireless carriers.

Staff has been notified that MCA has commenced the migration of the DAS head-end from the Cox Convention Center to the Oklahoma City Convention Center in anticipation of the demolition of the Cox Convention Center. During this work, MCA determined additional fiber and installation for the Paycom Center was not contemplated in the original design but is necessary to accomplish the upgrade with minimal cellular downtime.

Due to MCA being the current entity responsible for monitoring and maintaining the DAS system, and MCA having special and specific knowledge of the DAS system design, operation and requirements, and the City-owned facilities serviced by the DAS system are and will be in continuous operation and use during the prescribed relocation and upgrade process, and that this continuous operation of the DAS system is required, MCA is uniquely qualified to provide the necessary fiber purchase and installation.

The City Manager requests OCPPA and Oklahoma City waive formal competitive bidding , declare Mobile Communications America, Inc. (MCA) as sole source, and approve an amendment to equipment maintenance and monitoring agreement with MCA, Inc. (COKC01125) for the purchase and installation of the necessary fiber work, the DC power distribution equipment, and other related system work for the ongoing transfer of the neutrally-hosted, multi-sector Distributive Antenna System from the Cox Convention Center to the Oklahoma City Convention Center, cost not to exceed \$212,510.43, November 19, 2024 through November 18, 2025 or until the work is complete.

**Cost:**

\$212,510.43 (not to exceed)

**Source of Funds:**

Arena Cap Improvements OCPPA-Arena Improvements-Other Equipment  
(4803-1405001-53040031)

**Review:**

City Manager's Office

**Recommendation:** Resolution be adopted.