



**COUNTY OF SAN MATEO**  
Inter-Departmental Correspondence  
Information Services Department



**Date:** August 15, 2016  
**Board Meeting Date:** October 4, 2016  
**Special Notice / Hearing:** None  
**Vote Required:** Majority

**To:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**From:** Jon Walton, CIO/Director, Information Services Department  
Sheriff Carlos Bolanos

**Subject:** Amendment to the Agreement with L.D. Strobel Co., Inc. for the construction of a new Radio/Communications site and demolition of the old site at Skylawn Memorial Park

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a resolution authorizing an Amendment to the Agreement with L.D. Strobel, Co., Inc. to construct a new County Public Safety Radio/Microwave Communications site and demolish the old site at Skylawn Memorial Park, increasing the amount by \$196,777 to an amount not to exceed \$830,740.

**BACKGROUND:**

The County leases the Skylawn radio site from North Star Memorial Group who is the property owner. The requirement for the relocation of the County's existing site was directed by North Star in order to support the expansion of burial plots in the area around the existing County Radio Communications site. The County staff considered four alternate sites in order to determine if it was in the best interest of the County to continue to use the Skylawn site. Three of the sites were considered not feasible due to homeowner concerns or coverage area impacts and the forth site was considered to be significantly more expensive. Based on this analysis, and the fact that Verizon was willing to share in the cost of the Skylawn project, the County determined that this site was the best site for the County's continued use this site. This site is an integral part of the County's Public Safety Radio/Microwave Communications system. Without this site Public Safety radio cover in the area of Highway 92 from Highway 280 to Half Moon Bay would be significantly affected.

**DISCUSSION:**

The Information Services Department issued a Request for Proposals on January 17, 2012 for improving radio communication buildings and antenna structures at two remote

locations, La Honda and Skylawn Memorial Park. On August 12, 2012, your Board approved an Agreement with L.D. Strobel, by Resolution No. 072118, to construct the two new sites, and for the demolition of the old site at the Skylawn Memorial Park.

This Amendment is necessary to cover the increased cost of materials and services created by the repeated project site adjustments and design changes created as the property owner as they modified their landuse plan. Both the County and L.D Strobel have had to adjust project timelines, scope, and costs as the Property owner has made adjustments. In discussions between the County and the property owner, we have a high degree of confidence that the current location and site design meet both the landowner and County needs.

Approval of the project was obtained at the Emergency Council Services meeting on June 18, 2015 and funding will be provided by the Emergency Services Council/Joint Power Authority.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the resolution and amendment as to content and form. The Contract Compliance Committee has approved the waiver to extend the term of this Agreement beyond three years.

This amendment supports Vision 2025 Collaborative Community by ensuring public safety services to the 20 cities and unincorporated areas within the County and the continued availability of the radio services system.

**PERFORMANCE MEASURE(S):**

Measure	FY 2015-16 Actual	FY 2015-16 Projected
Benchmark: Availability of Core Services (Datacenter, Network, Radio and PBX)	99.94%	99.7%

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The current term of this Agreement remains unchanged from August 15, 2012 through August 14, 2017. The not to exceed amount of the Agreement, including this \$196,777 amendment, is \$830,740. This Amendment is fully funded by the Emergency Services Council/Joint Power Authority, and there is no net county cost.