



STAFF REPORT

Report To: Board of Supervisors **Meeting Date:** June 18, 2026

Staff Contact: Carol Akers, Purchasing and Contracts Administrator

Agenda Title: For Possible Action: Discussion and possible action regarding authorization to purchase radio communications equipment, software and related services to support the capital and operational needs of Carson City's various offices and departments during Fiscal Year ("FY") 2027, through joinder contract P697-16-016 between Harris Corporation and the State of Nevada for a total aggregate amount not to exceed \$400,000. (Carol Akers, cakers@carsoncity.gov and Jon Bakkedahl, jbakkedahl@carsoncity.gov)

Agenda Action: Formal Action / Motion **Time Requested:** Consent

Proposed Motion

I move to approve the purchase authority as presented.

Board's Strategic Goal

Safety

Previous Action

August 7, 2025 (Item 12H) – The Board of Supervisors ("Board") approved the purchase of radio equipment through joinder contract P697-16-016 for a not to exceed amount of \$1,000,000 for FY 2026.

August 1, 2024 (Item 8I) – The Board approved the purchase of radio equipment through joinder contract P697-16-016 for a not to exceed amount of \$600,000 for FY 2025.

July 6, 2023 (Item 13F) – The Board approved the purchase of radio equipment through joinder contract P697-16-016 for a not to exceed amount of \$1,200,000 for FY 2024.

July 21, 2022 (Item 11D) – The Board approved the purchase of radio equipment through joinder contract P697-16-016 for a not to exceed amount of \$1,200,000 for FY 2023.

July 1, 2021 (Item 10F) – The Board approved the purchase of radio equipment through joinder contract P697-16-016 for a not to exceed amount of \$1,600,000 for FY 2022.

December 5, 2019 (Item 14D) – The Board approved the purchase of radio equipment through joinder contract P697-16-016 for a not to exceed amount of \$1,200,000 through June 30, 2020.

November 15, 2018 (Item 14A) – The Board approved the purchase of radio equipment through joinder contract P697-16-016 and another joinder contract between Washoe County and Harris, for a total

annual amount not to exceed \$500,000.

Background/Issues & Analysis

Emergency Management anticipates the need to purchase up to \$400,000 in radio equipment and related services under this joinder contract during FY 2027. This amount was derived by looking at the approved budgets for FY 2027, the purchase history, and existing projects. During FY 2026, the not-to-exceed amount for this joinder contract was set at \$1,200,000, and the actual expenditures and encumbrances to Harris Corporation under the joinder contract did not exceed \$800,000. The not-to-exceed limit is intentionally set at the high end of the City’s foreseeable needs for FY 2027, with the expectation that actual expenditures will fall below the limit.

The determination of which accounts will be used for each specific purchase will be made after considering the nature of the purchase. In general, lifecycle repair and replacement, capital improvements and projects are funded by the approved budget for the radio division, while department specific requests for accessories, modifications and radio additions are funded from the approved budgets of individual departments.

This authorization does not allocate additional funding to any budget, nor does it authorize expenditures beyond the approved budget limits.

The term of the joinder contract is ongoing. Final System Acceptance under the contract has not occurred, so the termination date has not been set.

Applicable Statute, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation

NRS 332.115 and 332.195

Financial Information

Is there a fiscal impact? Yes

If yes, account name/number: Capital Projects Fund - Equipment Expense 2101002-500676 – Up to \$300,000.00

Citywide operating and Capital Accounts – Miscellaneous – Not to exceed approved amount

Is it currently budgeted? Yes

Explanation of Fiscal Impact: The not to exceed amount of \$400,000 will be expended from various accounts in multiple City departments.

Alternatives

Do not approve the purchase authority and/or provide alternative direction to staff.

Attachment(s):

[NDOT_Formal_Approval_Letter.pdf](#)

[Final_Agreement_NDOT_P697-16-016_NSRS-.pdf](#)

Motion: _____

- 1) _____
- 2) _____

Aye/Nay

(Vote Recorded By)
