



Memorandum

Date: 10/17/2023
Meeting of: City Council

File No. AM No. 23-150
Type: Consent Item

TO: Members of the City Council
FROM: Mayor Angela Birney
DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR CONTACT(S):

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TITLE:

New Telecommunications Lease with DISH Wireless LLC at City of Redmond Fire Station 14.

OVERVIEW STATEMENT:

The City of Redmond manages a wireless telecommunications facility lease with Crown Castle, as primary tenant, at Fire Station 14. The facility consists of ground station equipment pads, ground equipment, a pedestal or a monopole, and a monopole with wireless communications antennas installed. Currently there are two tenants, AT&T and T-Mobile. Previous tenants included Sprint Nextel and Clearwire, both absorbed by T-Mobile. Both firms' equipment was removed, opening up ground space and pole capacity for DISH to install equipment without changing the physical conditions of the entire facility.

DISH Wireless LLC desires to install equipment in spaces available on the ground and on the monopole, and as noted above, capacity is available for DISH to install without making any changes to Crown's existing footprint.

As noted in the memo for Crown Castle, this DISH lease should only be approved if the Crown Castle lease is approved, under a separate action.

☒ **Additional Background Information/Description of Proposal Attached**

REQUESTED ACTION:

☐ **Receive Information** ☒ **Provide Direction** ☐ **Approve**

REQUEST RATIONALE:

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**
N/A
- **Required:**

N/A

- **Council Request:**
N/A
- **Other Key Facts:**
N/A

OUTCOMES:

Approval of this lease provides additional cellular service in a rural portion of King County. The lease will allow DISH Wireless to expand its services by operating wireless telecommunications equipment at Fire Station 14. Under this lease, the DISH rent is set at \$5,040, with a fixed annual escalation of a minimum of 4%. Revenue generated from the lease is accrued to the Redmond Fire Department. The lease rate is tied to a percentage of DISH's rate with Crown Castle, the primary tenant at Fire Station 14.

COMMUNITY/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT:

- **Timeline (previous or planned):**
N/A
- **Outreach Methods and Results:**
N/A
- **Feedback Summary:**
N/A

BUDGET IMPACT:

Total Cost:
\$0.00

Approved in current biennial budget: ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

Budget Offer Number:
N/A

Budget Priority:
N/A

Other budget impacts or additional costs: ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

If yes, explain:

Revenue generated by this lease accrues to the Fire Department.

Funding source(s):
N/A

Budget/Funding Constraints:
N/A

☐ **Additional budget details attached.**

COUNCIL REVIEW:

Previous Contact(s)

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
10/10/2023	Committee of the Whole - Finance, Administration, and Communications	Approve

Proposed Upcoming Contact(s)

Date	Meeting	Requested Action
10/17/2023	Business Meeting	Approve

Time Constraints:

None. DISH is eager to move forward with their program of building out their infrastructure to abide by U.S. federal directives covering conditions set by the merger and acquisition actions by other wireless communications and federal government incentives to have a competitive marketplace for wireless communications.

ANTICIPATED RESULT IF NOT APPROVED:

Cancellation of the lease would result in \$5,040 in lost revenue in 2023.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A - Telecommunications Facilities Lease Agreement

20231017 DISH Lease Memo to FAC