

Item Title: 800MHz Tower Co-location Lease Agreement

Specific Action Requested:

That the Board of Commissioners approves and authorizes the County Manager to execute an amendment extending a lease agreement between Wake County and the North Carolina State Highway Patrol (NCSHP) until 2050, allowing the co-location of equipment on Wake County owned, leased or licensed radio towers and within the equipment buildings at each site as outlined in the lease agreement.

Item Summary:

Purpose: The Board of Commissioners must approve all multiyear lease agreements entered by the County.

Background: Wake County and the North Carolina State Highway Patrol (NCSHP) previously signed a lease agreement ("Original Lease") for co-locating equipment on Wake County-owned 800MHz Radio Towers, effective January 27, 2003, through January 27, 2023.

The parties intend to amend the Lease Agreement upon the same terms and conditions of the Original Lease. The term of this Lease shall be for a period of twenty-five (25) years.

Strategic Plan: This action supports Safer Community Together Goal 1: By 2029, 80% of all County public safety calls will receive an appropriate and timely emergency response.

Fiscal Impact: According to the Lease Agreement, NCSHP may co-locate equipment at Wake County sites at no cost to either party. No appropriation of funds is required.

Additional Information:

In October 2001, a Cooperative Agreement was established between Wake County & NC Crime Control and Public Safety (State Highway Patrol) for the Construction and Operation of an 800MHz radio system. In August 2002, Wake County identified the need for the County to lease or sublease the right for the North Carolina Highway Patrol (NCSHP) to co-locate radio equipment on eight (8) Wake County-owned towers. On January 27, 2003, the original lease was signed. NCSHP provided late notice of its intent to renew the lease at least 90 days prior to expiration of the original term (January 27, 2023); however, both parties agreed to waive any deficiencies with respect to said notice and have continued to operate as if the Lease was renewed. This amendment memorializes the parties' intent and desire to extend the duration of the Lease and update the terms of usage.

Attachments:

None.