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To: Mayor and City Council Members
Douglas Faseler, City Manager

From: Russell Pancoast, Interim Chief of Police
Shane McDaniel, Director of IT

Subject: Police Department Harris Handheld Radio Purchase

Date: February 8, 2019

Staff is requesting authorization to purchase sixty-five (65) Harris XL-200 portable handheld radios with corresponding mics and chargers. The quoted price for this equipment from LCRA is \$296,349.63.

The Motorola XTS-1500/2500 line of handheld radios has been in use by the City of Seguin since approximately 2004. Motorola announced in 2013 that it would discontinue the XTS-1500/2500 lines in November 2014. Service for the product line was extended five years through 12/31/2019. Motorola has ceased production of the XTS 1500/2500's making components difficult to attain as to allow city staff to keep the current fleet in good operational order. City management, PD, and IT staff vetted Motorola and Harris public safety specific models and a collective decision was made to request moving forward with Harris handheld radios with the prospect of joining the regionally based LCRA radio service platform that utilizes a Harris technology infrastructure in the near future. Staff has tested and confirmed the Harris handheld radios will work on the city's current Motorola Quantar radio infrastructure that went end of life 12/31/2018.

A competing quote of \$349,999 was obtained from Motorola to provide the same quantity and corresponding model radios (APX 8000).

A separate agenda item will include an Interlocal Agreement between LCRA and the City of Seguin which will enable the City to purchase this equipment from LCRA.

Funding for this equipment is addressed in an additional agenda item and proposes that the purchase be financed by the issuance of three (3) year Tax Notes.

Staff recommends approval and acceptance of the attached proposal from LCRA in the amount of \$296,349.63.