

STAFF REPORT

IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 19-4986, FOR THE PURPOSE OF
APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE DISTRIBUTED ANTENNA SYSTEM LICENSE
AGREEMENT AT THE OREGON CONVENTION CENTER ALLOWING A ROOFTOP
MACRO FACILITY

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Length:

ISSUE STATEMENT

ACTION REQUESTED

[Include a timeline and work plan information]

This resolution authorizes amendment to the existing long-term License Agreement for a Distributed Antenna System with Insite Wireless Development, LLC to allow for the placement of a rooftop Macro Facility (cellular antenna) at the OCC. This installation would be at no cost to the OCC and would provide on-going revenue share funding to the OCC.

IDENTIFIED POLICY OUTCOMES

[Based on prior policy direction or adopted documents from Council]

POLICY QUESTION(S)

[What policy outcomes are we trying to achieve?]

POLICY OPTIONS FOR COUNCIL TO CONSIDER

[You should ideally be able to offer multiple policy options, and the pros and cons, anticipated effects and financial implications of each.]

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

[Include if applicable or appropriate]

Staff recommends that the Metro Council, by Resolution, approve amendment (attached hereto) to the existing license agreement and delegate authority to the General Manager of Visitor Venues to execute the license agreement amendment.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT & FRAMING COUNCIL DISCUSSION

[Please provide strategic context where applicable and frame the discussion around how this project fits in with other Metro programs, recent public or committee engagement, stakeholder decisions, budget challenges or opportunities, etc.]

Please note, not all of the items below items will be applicable to the proposed legislation, project or issue. Include as appropriate:

- How is this related to Metro's Strategic Plan (to be developed in 2019) or Core Mission?
The improved cellular service that would be provided through this amendment aligns with Metro's values of Public Service and Excellence. This service would benefit residents of the region, as well as patrons of the OCC, by offering or expanding cellular signal coverage in and around the OCC, including the north plaza currently under renovation.
- How does this advance Metro's racial equity goals?
- How does this advance Metro's climate action goals?
- Known Opposition/Support/Community Feedback
None known.
- Legal Antecedents
The Metropolitan Exposition Recreation Commission approved forwarding the Distributed Antenna System license agreement to the Metro Council on December 7, 2016. The Metro Council approved Resolution No. 16-4759 on December 16, 2016 authorizing the current long-term license.
- Anticipated Effects
This amendment will allow the Distributed Antenna System licensee to install a rooftop Macro Facility on the OCC's lower lobby roof.
- Financial Implications (current year and ongoing)
The OCC will incur no costs to install the Macro Facility and receive revenue share funding. For the duration of the 10 year license, InSite Wireless Development, LLC will pay to OCC 55% of monthly revenues, not including capital contributions or payment of ongoing pass through expenses for utilities, taxes, monitoring, insurance and maintenance paid by the carriers for the added rooftop Macro Facility.

BACKGROUND

[Provide a brief summary of the project, program or legislation including most recent council policy direction. This summary should include a description of how the project has moved forward since the last time it was before the Metro Council.]

OCC hosts approximately 550 events a year with total attendance exceeding 600,000. Currently, the building's infrastructure of steel and concrete disrupts the transmission of cellular signals throughout the building. Given public and client expectations for cellular usage in and around the building, OCC entered a long-term license agreement with InSite Wireless Development, LLC to install a carrier neutral Distributed Antenna System. Metro Council approved OCC entering the long-term license agreement in 2016. That system includes numerous antennas in the building and parking garage that support cellular transmissions. Installation of that system is nearing completion with an expected completion in fall of 2019. The system is being installed at no cost to OCC and OCC will receive on-going revenue share funding from system use.

InSite Wireless Development, LCC has approached the OCC to add another hardware element to the cellular antenna system – a Macro Facility. The Macro Facility would be installed on the Oregon Ballroom lobby roof and provide cellular transmissions to members of the public and OCC guests in and around that location, including the north plaza currently under renovation.

The original license agreement approved in 2016 was intended primarily to provide a system for cellular transmissions inside the building and parking garage. This amendment would add an external antenna to serve the building's north plaza as well as members of the public in proximity to the antenna. Given the slight difference in the system, Metro management believes it prudent to seek Metro Council approval to move forward with the amendment to the existing license agreement.

ATTACHMENTS

[Identify and submit any attachments related to this legislation or presentation]

InSite Wireless Amendment 2 attached hereto

InSite Wireless Attachment 1 to Exhibit B attached hereto