



AGENDA MEMO
6/18/2019 Agenda

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Randy Howell

SUBJECT: Consider approval of a Radio System Interlocal Agreement between the City of University Park and the Town of Highland Park and the Cities of Garland and Mesquite

BACKGROUND:

This ILA is the agreement which will connect the "Park Cities" three-site cell to the radio core in the Garland, Mesquite, Rowlett & Sachse (GMRS) radio system. Highland Park and University Park will garner substantial cost savings by sharing a radio "core" with another entity such as GMRS.

The GMRS radio system is owned by Garland and Mesquite because they have radio infrastructure and most importantly, the radio core. However, the City of Rowlett chose to join Garland and Mesquite in the same manner that we seek to join them. Rowlett owns infrastructure pieces (sites) for their own radio system but needed to share a radio core with Garland and Mesquite. Sachse is part of the system but does not own radio infrastructure pieces and are a subscriber on the Garland and Mesquite system.

Highland Park and University Park come together in the first ILA as the Park Cities, then we add our system to the Garland and Mesquite system to access the radio core. This second ILA is titled: *THE CITIES OF GARLAND AND MESQUITE AND THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY PARK & TOWN OF HIGHLAND PARK RADIO SYSTEM INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT*. This second ILA is also referred to as the *Participant Agreement*. So this ILA will be an agreement between us (the Park Cities) as infrastructure owners and the cities of Garland and Mesquite as the actual system owners. Garland and Mesquite have a second, and separate, ILA with Rowlett as an infrastructure owner as well.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval of ILA to allow system participation.