

## **STAFF REPORT**

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**DATE:** December 11, 2023  
**TO:** Sacramento Regional Transit Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Shelly Valenton, Deputy General Manager/CEO  
**SUBJ:** DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO THE GENERAL MANAGER/CEO TO BIND SACRT TO CONTRACTS FOR LEGACY TELECOMMUNICATIONS VOICE AND DATA NETWORKS AND COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES UNDER STATE OF CALIFORNIA NEXTGEN MASTER AGREEMENTS

### RECOMMENDATION

Adopt the Attached Resolution.

### RESULT OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approving the recommended action will allow SacRT to acquire supplies and services under competitive state pricing until June 30, 2025. If the State exercises the option years within the current NextGen agreements (“Master Agreements”), this action will potentially facilitate SacRT’s use of those agreements through June 30, 2028, at which time all available options under the State of California contracts with AT&T will expire.

### FISCAL IMPACT

SacRT intends to continue purchasing AT&T services and supplies for a period from January 1, 2024, extending until June 30, 2025, which is a term of eighteen months, under the AT&T NextGen contract.

In addition, other vendors may be engaged for additional supplies and services under a State Master Agreement.

If the State of California exercises the options to extend the term of one or more of the Master Agreements beyond June 30, 2025, this delegation will permit the General Manager/CEO to continue purchasing for so long as a state Master Agreement is in place.

The cost for AT&T services for Fiscal Year 2024 is estimated at \$825,000 and included in the approved FY 24 Operating Budget. Future fiscal year expenditures will be included in the Operating Budget for that year. Funding will be identified as each service is ordered under the applicable Authorization to Order.

### DISCUSSION

In 2018, the State of California issued competitive solicitations for Legacy Communications (IFB C4A1LEG18) and Data Networks and Communications Services (IFB C4DNCS19) (collectively referred to as "CALNET NextGen"). After evaluation, the State awarded contracts to 16 different vendors, including AT&T, and entered into an individual Master Agreement with each of the vendors for specified categories of services.

These contracts are available for use by Non-State Entities on specified terms.

Contracts were awarded to the following vendors: Airespring Inc., Aspen Technology Group, AT&T, Carousel Industries, Charter Communications, Comcast Business Communications LLC, Crown Castle Fiber, ENA Services, Granite Telecommunications, InterVision Systems, Level 3 dba CenturyLink dba LUMEN, NTT America, Inc., NWN Corporation, Red River Technology, T-Mobile, Verizon Business Services, Wave Division Holdings LLC, Zayo Group LLC.

On December 13, 2021, the Board adopted Resolution No. 21-12-0141, delegating authority to the General Manager/CEO to bind SacRT to a contract or contracts with AT&T in accordance with the terms and conditions, and for the prices, set forth in a master contract with the State of California. Under the Resolution, the existing delegation of authority expires December 31, 2023.

Each Master Agreement currently expires June 30, 2025. The State of California has three option years that may be exercised to ultimately extend the Master Agreements to June 30, 2028. During the course of each Master Agreement, additional services may be added by the various vendors to their current offerings.

In addition to requesting an extension of the existing delegation with respect to AT&T, at this time Staff is requesting that the Board broaden the authorization to allow SacRT to contract with any of the 16 available vendors that currently has a NextGen Master Agreement in place with the State of California to obtain the benefit of the competitive pricing offered by these vendors under the Master Agreements.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-12-119

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Regional Transit District on this date:

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SACRAMENTO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

THAT, contingent upon satisfaction of the condition set forth below, the General Manager/CEO is hereby authorized to bind Sacramento Regional Transit District to a contract or contracts with any vendor that has a NextGen Master Agreement with the State of California, in accordance with the terms and conditions, and for the prices, set forth in the Master Agreement with the State of California; and

THAT, prior to entering into any contract under this delegation, the General Manager/CEO must determine that the master contract with the State of California through which the supplies and services will be purchased was awarded through competitive bidding and that all applicable federal and state requirements are met; and

THAT, this delegation of authority will expire June 30, 2028.

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PATRICK KENNEDY, Chair

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