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Item IV.C

MEMO TO: KIRC Commissioners

FROM: Michael K. Nāho‘opi‘i, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Authorize the Executive Director to Extend Communications Contract for FY27

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

To authorize the Executive Director to award the Communications Contract to Harmer Radio and Electronics, Inc. in the amount of \$77,623.01 for the period May 01, 2026, through April 30, 2027.

BACKGROUND & SUMMARY:

The Communications contract was previously awarded to Harmer Radio and Electronics, Inc. in FY26 with three extensions allowed. The current award will expire on April 30, 2026, and KIRC staff recommends executing the first extension.

The following are the price changes from the previous contract:

Annual Services	FY27	FY26	Δ	Notes
Microwave maintenance	\$12,012.00	\$11,664.00	\$348.00	
Site Rent	\$15,348.00	\$14,904.00	\$444.00	
Telephone/Data Circuit	\$8,340.00	\$8,100.00	\$240.00	
Radio maintenance	\$11,160.00	\$12,180.00	(\$1,020.00)	
Repeater maintenance	\$9,540.00	\$9,264.00	\$276.00	
Dish Network	\$2,064.00	\$2,004.00	\$60.00	
Solar panel maintenance	\$5,916.00	\$5,736.00	\$180.00	
Total Monthly Services with GET	\$64,380.00	\$63,852.00	\$528.00	Less than 1% increase
Contingency Services¹	FY27	FY26	Δ	Notes
Misc radio parts	\$1,300.00	\$2,000.00	(\$700.00)	
Misc microwave repairs	\$3,900.00	\$3,000.00	\$900.00	Anticipated cable repairs
Misc battery replacement	\$4,550.00	\$3,500.00	\$1,050.00	Anticipated office battery replacement
Total Contingency services	\$9,750.00	\$8,500.00	\$1,250.00	Base Camp Wi-Fi equipment upgrade
Total Contract Amount with GET	\$77,623.01	\$75,360.71	\$2,262.30	

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Notes:

1. Contingency Services are paid as services are executed. Any services not utilized, or any remaining balance at the end of the contract extension is returned to the trust fund.

LEGAL AUTHORITY:

The relevant provisions of Chapter 6K, Hawai'i Revised Statutes, read as follows:

[§6K-6] Responsibilities and duties of the commission. The general administration of the island reserve shall rest with the commission. In carrying out its duties and responsibilities, the commission...

- (2) Shall approve all contracts for services and rules pertaining to the island reserve...

[§6K-9.5] Kaho`olawe rehabilitation trust fund. (b) The commission may use moneys in the trust fund to carry out the purposes of this chapter, including hiring employees, specialists and consultants necessary to complete projects relating to the purposes of this chapter.