

**BUSINESS FOR THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE
CITY OF ANGLETON**

SUBJECT: Discussion and possible action on purchase of telephone system for the City of Angleton.

REQUESTED BY: Greg Smith

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DATE SUBMITTED: 04/22/09 FOR THE AGENDA OF: 04/28/09

Expenditure Required: None.

Available Funding: None.

Attachments: Bid Summary from AT&T and R&M telephone

SUMMARY STATEMENT: After further evaluation and due diligence from the IT department the Cisco VoIP phone system and the Vodavi system have been considered. We feel the Cisco system is a better value for the city. This system gives us more features and expandability for some increased cost as the traditional Vodavi system. The features and expandability of the Cisco Unified Messaging system are virtually unlimited. Merging the Voice and Data networks allows system Administrators and Users ease of use and flexibility unsurpassed by PBX based systems like Vodavi and NEC. The Cisco system will allow users to work remotely and is much more user friendly. This system will allow us to expand into other buildings using IP connections and not have to buy a new infrastructure to add phones. This Cisco system will cut the equipment in half, since it uses the same switches for voice and data networks. In addition this system offers redundancy for the Police and other departments. This system will also allow the EOC to operate out of the FD, PD and the EOC. IT will go over more of the features at the meeting if you are interested. The following is a breakdown of the cost for the new phone system(s).

Cisco System

City Hall	\$32,792.19
Municipal Court (Includes Infrastructure)	\$25,903.23
Recreation Center	\$11,684.04
Service Center	\$15,028.86
Fire Department	\$ 8,070.42
Police Department	\$36,138.13
TOTAL	\$129,616.88

Vodavi System

Infrastructure	\$41,100.08
City Hall (Includes MC)	\$30,935.10
Recreation Center	\$ 3,039.75
Service Center	\$ 6,401.85
Fire Department	\$ 6,172.95
Police Department	\$22,089.90
TOTAL	\$107,047.55

Funding Breakdown

Court Technology	\$25,984.43 (Fiber Cost)
Building Fund	\$55,000.00
Police Department Tech Grant	\$30,000.00
Fire Department	\$ 3,500.00
Unfunded (Fund Balance)	\$22,569.33

As you can see the cost of the Cisco system is higher, staff believes that the benefits out way the additional cost. Jason Crews and David Steves will be present to explain the differences in the systems. All department heads agree that Cisco system is the better option. The Fire Department and Police Department have funds available that they are willing to put into the Cisco system.

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Recommendation: Both systems will work. IT and staff recommend that you consider the long term benefits of the Cisco system. The pricing is not reflective of any cost savings of line charges.