ITEM NO.  SUBJECT: Telephone System Upgrades

COMMITTEE: Finance Committee

COMMITTEE MEETING DATE: December 10, 2008

BOARD ACTION DATE: January 22, 2009

PROPOSAL: That the Board authorizes staff to negotiate a contract with Verizon Business, for an amount not to exceed $353,303.59 for the procurement and installation of hardware and software upgrades to the Authority’s telephone system.

PURPOSE: To provide the Authority with the necessary upgrades in support of the Authority’s telephone system.

Amount: $353,303.59

Contractor: Verizon Business
303 Walnut St.
Harrisburg, PA  17101-1914

BACKGROUND: Several years ago the Authority completed the installation of a new telephone system. The new system is a state-of-the-art Cisco voice-over-ip system that provides many features, including unified messaging and emergency 911 responder.

We have been advised by Cisco that in early 2009 the hardware and software components will have reached its “End of Life” and will no longer be supported by Cisco. Because of the obvious criticality in maintaining a working and viable telephone system and to continue receiving support the Authority must proceed with an upgrade of the system.

The upgrade will supply the Authority with the latest hardware and software components and more importantly will extend our support with Cisco.

Staff recommends that the contract be awarded to Verizon Business who have supplied pricing under the Pennsylvania State Contract, contract #4400002816.
Staff therefore recommends, negotiating a contract with Verizon Business for an amount not to exceed $353,303.59 for the procurement and installation of hardware and software upgrades to the Authority’s telephone system.

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RESOLUTION

RESOLVED: That the Board authorizes staff to negotiate a contract with Verizon Business, for an amount not to exceed $353,303.59 for the procurement and installation of hardware and software upgrades to the Authority’s telephone system.

RESOLVED: The Chair, Vice Chair and the Chief Executive Officer must approve and are hereby authorized to approve and execute all necessary agreements, contracts, or other documents on behalf of the DRPA. If such agreements, contracts, or other documents have been approved by the Chair, Vice Chair and Chief Executive Officer and if thereafter either the Chair or Vice Chair is absent or unavailable, the remaining Officer may execute the said document(s) on behalf of DRPA along with the Chief Executive Officer. If both the Chair and Vice Chair are absent or unavailable, and if it is necessary to execute the said document(s) while they are absent or unavailable, then the Chief Executive Officer shall execute such documents on behalf of DRPA.

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