STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT

BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 15-863

Pertaining to an Amendment No. 1 to Site Lease Agreement with T-Mobile Central LLC to allow additional wireless communication equipment at the McKnight Road Water Tower site located at 393 North McKnight Road in Saint Paul.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Staff is seeking approval of an amendment to the lease, which will allow the installation of three (3) additional antennas and (9) nine remote radio heads and appurtenances. For that increase in equipment, the amendment provides for 2015 rent to increase to \$31,763.45, the same rent as the highest current rent on a similar 2005 T-Mobile installation.

\$ 25,282.48 Current 2015 rent

\$ 6,480.97 Increase (25.6%)

\$ 31,763.45 Amended 2015 rent

The initial 1996 lease allowed for nine (9) panel antennas with appurtenances on the tower and a fenced area for ground equipment at a beginning rent of \$12,000 and a 4% annual escalator. The escalator remains in effect and future rents will increase accordingly.

Upon the expiration of this lease at the end of 2016, T-Mobile will be presented with a new lease, which will provide the Board's highest current rent and annual escalator.

See attached Location Map and proposed Amendment.

RECOMMENDATION

Approval is recommended.