

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

10-0520R

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING PISC SUBGRANT FROM THE NORTHEAST REGIONAL RADIO BOARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$33,713 FOR THE PURCHASE OF RADIO EQUIPMENT FOR THE POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENT AND PROVIDING FOR LOCAL MATCH.

CITY PROPOSAL:

RESOLVED, that the proper city officials are hereby authorized to accept a public safety interoperable communications subgrant from the northeast regional radio board, the conditions of which are on file in the office of the city clerk as Public Document No. _____, in the amount of \$33,713, payable to Fund 210, Agency 030, Organization 3173, for the purchase of interoperable radio equipment for the city's police and fire departments and committing the local matching funds required, in the amount of \$8,428.25 to be payable from Fund 110, Agency, 700, Organization 1408.

Approved:

Approved for presentation to council:

Department Director

Chief Administrative Officer

Approved as to form:

Approved:

Attorney

Auditor

DFD/ATTY REA:dma 9/30/2010

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to authorize the city to accept a subgrant from the northeast regional radio board in the amount of \$33,713 to be used to pay 80 percent of the cost of purchasing interoperable radio equipment for the city's police and fire departments and committing the 20 percent local share of the cost.

The city, along with the county and a number of other jurisdictions in the region, is a member of the northeast regional radio board which was established for the purpose of encouraging and enhancing opportunities for interoperable radio communications between them. The board has received a substantial grant from the state department of public safety to be used to purchase radio equipment with interoperable communications capacity and has allocated portions of it to its member jurisdictions; the city's allocation is \$33,713. The grant has as a condition that the receiving jurisdiction must provide at least a 20 percent match for all grant-eligible purchases.

In mission critical situations agencies from different jurisdictions often operate on different frequency bands requiring personnel to carry two radios in order to communicate with one another. The city plans to use the grant fund to purchase APX 7000 multi-band radios which can operate in any of two bands (VHF/UHF R1, or 700/800 MHz frequencies) to enable instant, interoperable communications with the other jurisdictions responding to such situations which will result in improved coordination, response and first responder safety.