



Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works

Date: June 5, 2007
To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee
Subject: Cooperative agreement with Hennepin County for participation on the 700MHz wireless DATA communications system.

Recommendation:

- a. Authorize the proper City Officials to execute a three-year operating agreement with Hennepin County to allow access on the new nine county metro area 700MHZ Public Safety wireless DATA system. The costs associated have been included in a previously received grant (via Hennepin County) from the U.S. Department of Justice.
- b. Department of Public Works to set evaluation parameters in place to determine if access to this system should go beyond initial 3 year period.

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Approved by:



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Presenters: Rod Olson, Supervisor of Electronics

Permanent Review Committee (PRC)	Approval _____	Not applicable <u> X </u>
Policy review Group (PRG)	Approval _____	Not applicable <u> X </u>

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

- No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
- Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
- Action requires use of contingency or reserves
- Business Plan: Action is within the plan. Action requires a change to plan.
- Other financial impact (Explain):

- Request provided to department's Finance Dept. contact when provided to the Committee Coordinator

Community Impact

- Neighborhood Notification – N/A
- City Goals – meets the goals of:

A SAFE PLACE TO CALL HOME: The 700MHz data service can provide enhancements and redundancy to the current Police squads and Fire rigs data communications; maintaining data coverage keeps our City safer.

Background/Supporting Information

In June of 2005, the City assigned lead agency status to the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office of a City invitation to a U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) COPS Interoperable Communications Technology Program grant. This grant was very instrumental in the building of the 700MHz Interoperable DATA system. As a major contributor and supporter of this system, the City of Minneapolis is receiving free use of (for use on the system) two hundred 700MHz radio modem/units. The radio modem/units will allow our public safety services access to an interoperable, public safety only, wireless data system. This system and radio modem/units are co-maintained by the County and the municipal agencies (like the City) who are participants. All costs associated with maintenance for the first three years of operation is covered by the grant.