RESOLUTION - SUPERMAJORITY

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ETSB IN-STATION ALERTING AWARD AND LINE ITEM TRANSFER WITHIN THE EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD (ETSB) FY2020 BUDGET

WHEREAS, the McHenry County Emergency Telephone System Board (ETSB) was created by Ordinance 0-9201-1200-05 to plan, implement, control, maintain, upgrade, and oversee operations of the Enhanced 9-1-1 system to meet current and future demands for the entire County of McHenry; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Telephone System Board (ETSB) awarded a contract on June 19, 2018, for Phase 1 of the station alerting system to US Digital Designs for the three (3) PSAPs in McHenry County; and

WHEREAS, the sixteen (16) fire agencies within McHenry County fully support the implementation of a Countywide Fire Station Alerting Software Solution that interfaces with TriTech Inform CAD to automate the call dispatching in a uniform manor and be executed for any fire department within McHenry County from any of the three (3) PSAPs; and

WHEREAS, interoperability of the applications, and streamlining the workflow process for end users is imperative for uniform emergency call handing and public safety response; and

WHEREAS, to promote interoperability with the new station alerting system, on January 16, 2020, the ETSB has unanimously approved a one-time reimbursement award, in the amount of $660,000; and

WHEREAS, each McHenry County fire agency is eligible for a one-time reimbursement award up to $20,000, per physical station, for expenses incurred implementing the US Digital station alerting ATX box; and

WHEREAS, the Law & Government/Liquor and Finance & Audit Committees have reviewed the said request.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by this County Board of McHenry County, Illinois that it hereby supports the McHenry County ETSB project to fund a one-time reimbursement award, in the amount of $660,000, to help fund Phase II of the project up to $20,000, per physical station for expenses incurred implementing the US Digital station alerting ATX box; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a budget line item transfer in the amount $660,000 in the ETSB FY2020 budget is requested from budget line item 681000-29-2900-801 (Fund Balance Enhancement) to budget line item 442300-29-2910-801 (Grants to Agencies); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is hereby authorized to distribute a certified copy of this Resolution to the McHenry County Director of ETSB; the Director of Purchasing; the County Auditor; the State’s Attorney; the Director of Finance; and the County Administrator.

DATED at Woodstock, Illinois, this 16th day of March, A.D., 2020.

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ATTEST:

Joseph J. Tirio, County Clerk

Jack D. Franks, Chairman
McHenry County Board
TO:     McHenry County Board
FROM:   Tiki Carlson
DATE:   March 16, 2020
SUBJECT: Resolution Supporting the ETSB In-Station Alerting Award and Line Item Transfer within the Emergency Telephone System Board (ETSB) FY2020 Budget

Board / Committee Action Requested: Supporting the ETSB One Time In-Station Alerting Reimbursement Award for the McHenry County Fire Agencies, and authorizing a line item transfer within the McHenry County Emergency Telephone System Board’s (ETSB) fiscal year 2020 budget.

Background and Discussion: During the FY2020 budget process, it was discussed with the Law and Government/Liquor Committee, and mutually agreed upon by the McHenry County ETSB; the Associate County Administrator - Finance; and the County Administrator to submit projects with unknown implementation dates as "informational only" supplemental requests to prevent inflating the County's FY2020 Budget.

McHenry County Emergency Telephone System Board (ETSB) was created by Ordinance 0-9201-1200-05 to plan, implement, control, maintain, upgrade, and oversee operations of the Enhanced 9-1-1 system to meet current and future demands for the entire County of McHenry.

In an effort to standardize fire station alerting operations within the McHenry County, the Emergency Telephone System Board (ETSB) voted to enter into contract on March 15, 2018, and executed the contract on June 19, 2018, with Resolution #R-201806-29-134, for a station alerting system to US Digital Designs. Phase I of the project funded the purchase of required Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) equipment and radio interface operations.

To promote interoperability with the new station alerting system, on January 16, 2020, the ETSB has unanimously approved a one-time reimbursement award, in the amount of $660,000, to help fund Phase II of the project, the purchase and installation of the US Digital ATX alerting box at each fire station. Phase II is tracked for FY2020 in the Five (5) Year McHenry County ETSB Capital Improvement Plan.

Each McHenry County fire agency is eligible for a one-time reimbursement award up to $20,000, per physical station, for expenses incurred implementing the US Digital station alerting ATX box. The reimbursement award is available until September 1, 2020. Eligible expenditures must have occurred between March 15, 2018 and September 1, 2020.

Funds shall be utilized to offset eligible fire department expenses identified in 50 ILCS
750/15.4(c) of the Emergency Telephone System Act.

**Impact on Human Resources:** None

**Impact on Budget (Revenue; Expenses, Fringe Benefits):** A budget line item transfer in the amount of $660,000 in the ETSB FY2020 budget is requested from budget line item 681000-29-2900-801 (Fund Balance Enhancement) to budget line item 442300-29-2910-801 (Grants to Agencies) to fund a one-time reimbursement award up to $20,000, per physical station, for expenses incurred implementing the US Digital station alerting ATX box.

**Impact on Capital Expenditures:** None

**Impact on Physical Space:** None

**Impact on Other County Departments or Outside Agencies:** Assisting to provide interoperability and resiliency for the dissemination of emergency calls for service to the fire departments within McHenry County.

**Conformity to Board Ordinances, Policies and Strategic Plan:** Yes

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