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STAFF REPORT

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DATE: Thursday, July 15, 2021

TO: Board of County Commissioners

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On behalf of the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee

THROUGH: Behzad Zamanian, Chief Information Officer

SUBJECT: Recommendation to approve the reimbursement of costs incurred by the City of Reno, the City of Sparks, and departments of Washoe County for FY22 expenses related to and in support of the Enhanced 911 Emergency Response System and portable event recording devices, as recommended by the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee on March 18, 2021, and May 20, 2021, in an amount not to exceed [\$1,059,195.07] as specified within the adopted Enhanced 911 Fund's operating budget. (All Commission Districts)

SUMMARY

The 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee was created with the intent to develop a plan for the enhancement of the County's 911 emergency response system and make recommendations to the County Commission concerning the expenditures of the money collected through the telephone line surcharge provided for by the Nevada State Legislature.

The 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee has recommended that the Board of County Commissioners approve the reimbursement of associated and allowable costs related to and in support of the Enhanced 911 Emergency Response System; contractual costs for body worn and vehicular recording devices; travel and training for 911 Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) staff; and other miscellaneous hardware and software technology purchases related to regional PSAP operations. The specific requests are summarized in Table 1. Agency reimbursements are not disbursed unless the requesting agency provides proper documentation (receipts, paid invoices, etc.).

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Safe, Secure and Healthy Communities

AGENDA ITEM # _____

Table 1

Agency	Reimbursement amount (Not to Exceed)	Application (911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee Action Date/Agenda Item #)	Cost Center
Washoe County	\$30,554.47	FY22 Intrado geoMSAG software (5/20/21, #20)	800801
	\$359,573	FY22 Axon Contract 2019 Additions (5/20/21, #11)	800802
	\$227,889	FY22 Axon Contract (5/20/21, #10)	800802
	\$56,795.60	FY22 Axon Contract 2021 Additions (5/20/21, #13)	800802
	\$11,560	FY22 911 Five-Year Master Plan (5/20/21, #18)	800801
Total	\$686,372.07		
City of Sparks	\$118,741	FY22 GIS Salary Reimbursement (3/18/21, #9)	800801
Total	\$118,741		
City of Reno	\$4,150	FY22 Navigator Conference (3/18/21, #5a)	800801
	\$7,360	FY22 NENA Conference (3/18/21, #5b)	800801
	\$5,500	FY22 APCO Conference (5/20/21, #6b)	800801
	\$30,072	FY22 Axon Bodycam 2021 Additions (3/18/21, #7)	800802
	\$197,000	FY22 GIS Salaries (3/18/21, #9)	800801
	\$10,000	FY22 NENA Local Hosted Training (3/18/21, #11)	800801
Total	\$254,082		
Grand Total	\$1,059,195.07		

PREVIOUS ACTION

On June 8, 2021, the Board of County Commissioners approved reimbursement of costs incurred by the City of Reno, the City of Sparks, and departments of Washoe County, for expenses related to and in support of the Enhanced 911 Emergency Response System and portable event recording devices, as recommended by the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee on May 20, 2021, in an amount not to exceed [\$846,082.08].

On May 25, 2021, the Board of County Commissioners approved reimbursement of costs incurred by the City of Reno, the City of Sparks, departments of Washoe County, and Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District for expenses related to and in support of the Enhanced 911 Emergency Response System and portable event recording devices, as recommended by the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee on March 18, 2021, in an amount not to exceed [\$321,759.90].

On February 23, 2021, the Board of County Commissioners approved reimbursement of costs incurred by the City of Reno, the City of Sparks, departments of Washoe County, and Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District for expenses related to and in support of the Enhanced 911 Emergency Response System and portable event recording devices, as recommended by the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee on January 21, 2021, in an amount not to exceed [\$1,010,891.90].

On December 8, 2020, the Board of County Commissioners approved the reimbursement of costs incurred by the City of Reno, the City of Sparks, and departments of Washoe County for expenses related to and in support of the Enhanced 911 Emergency Response System and portable event recording devices, as recommended by the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee, in an amount not to exceed [\$199,887.30].

On November 10, 2020, the Board of County Commissioners approved the reimbursement of costs incurred by the City of Reno, the City of Sparks, and departments of Washoe County for expenses related to and in support of the Enhanced 911 Emergency Response System and portable event recording devices, as recommended by the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee, in an amount not to exceed [\$951,354.58].

On June 16, 2020, the Board of County Commissioners approved the reimbursement of costs incurred by the City of Reno, the City of Sparks, and departments of Washoe County for expenses related to and in support of the Enhanced 911 Emergency Response System and portable event recording devices, and recommended by the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee, in an amount not to exceed [\$1,784,260.10].

On February 25, 2020, the Board of County Commissioners approved reimbursement of costs incurred by the City of Reno [\$1,255.95], the City of Sparks [\$254,876.00], Washoe County School District [\$54,984.00], and departments of Washoe County [\$72,154.22] for expenses related to and in support of the Enhanced 911 Emergency Response System and portable and vehicular event recording devices, and recommended by the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee, for a total amount not to exceed [\$383,270.17].

On November 12, 2019, the Board of County Commissioners approved reimbursement of costs incurred by the City of Reno, the City of Sparks, and departments of Washoe County for expenses related to and in support of the Enhanced 911 Emergency Response System and portable event recording devices, as recommended by the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee, in an amount not to exceed [\$719,183].

On June 25, 2019, the Board of County Commissioners approved reimbursement of costs incurred by the City of Reno [\$428,776.40], the City of Sparks [\$203,243.32], and departments of Washoe County [\$521,357.30] for expenses related to and in support of the respective Portable Event Recording Device programs as approved by the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee on May 16, 2019.

On March 12, 2019, the Board of County Commissioners approved the utilization of funds from the Emergency 911 fund to reimburse the City of Reno [\$125,475] for expenses related to implementation of Emergency Fire Dispatch services; reimburse the City of Sparks [\$178,134.30] for expenses related to implementation of body-worn and in-vehicle camera technologies; and to

purchase three (3) Harris Symphony Dispatch Consoles [\$139,443.65] for the Washoe County Regional Communications Center.

The Board has approved the use of the Enhanced 911 Fund for reimbursements as recommended to by the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee prior to 2019; additional history is available.

The Board has approved the use of the Enhanced 911 Fund for various reimbursements of travel and training related to public safety training, subject to approval by the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee, consistently since 2010.

BACKGROUND

NRS 244A.7645 authorizes the utilization of 911 surcharge funds to enhance the telephone system for reporting an emergency and for purchasing and maintaining portable event recording devices.

NRS 244A.7645(3)(a)(2) provides, in part, that E911 funds “must be used only... [to pay] costs for personnel and training associated with the routine maintenance and updating of the database for the system.” In the past, the Washoe County District Attorney’s staff has advised the E911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee that it must articulate a nexus between proposed training and the stated purpose of the statute (supporting software database maintenance and call taking), in which case, the expenditure of surcharge funds for such training would be permissible. Here, the E911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee has determined that such a nexus exists and recommends approval of the training. Travel may be included as “costs” of training.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Enhanced 911 Fund (208) has sufficient budget authority in the adopted FY22 budget for the agency reimbursement requests in the Enhanced 911 Admin Cost Center (800801), Payments to Other Agencies (710400), Seminars and Meetings (710509), Travel (711210); and, the E911 Public Safety Cameras Cost Center (800802), Payments to Other Agencies (710400). GIS position salary reimbursements for the cities of Reno and Sparks are completed quarterly and are reimbursed based on actual salary and benefits paid, not to exceed the approved amount.

Table 2 - FY22 Reimbursements

Agency	Cost Center	FY22
City of Reno	800801	\$224,010.00
	800802	\$30,072.00
City of Sparks	800801	\$118,741.00
Washoe County	800801	\$42,114.47
	800802	\$644,257.60
Grand Total		\$ 1,059,195.07

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve the reimbursement of costs incurred by the City of Reno, the City of Sparks, and departments of Washoe County for FY22 expenses related to and in support of the Enhanced 911 Emergency Response System and portable event recording devices, as recommended by the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee on March 18, 2021, and May

20, 2021, in an amount not to exceed [\$1,059,195.07] as specified within the adopted Enhanced 911 Fund's operating budget.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with the recommendation, a possible motion would be: "Move to approve the FY22 expenses related to and in support of the Enhanced 911 Emergency Response System and portable event recording devices, as recommended by the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee on March 18, 2021, and May 20, 2021, in an amount not to exceed [\$1,059,195.07] as specified within the adopted Enhanced 911 Fund's operating budget."