

SUBJECT

First Reading of Ordinance No. 051, 2010, Appropriating Unanticipated Revenue in the General Fund for the Purchase, Training and On-going Maintenance of the E911 and Emergency Dispatch Systems at Fort Collins Police Services Dispatch Center.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Larimer Emergency Telephone Authority (LETA) provides funds to the Fort Collins Police Services to be used for equipment and training to process E911 calls. This Ordinance appropriates those funds.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

The Larimer Emergency Telephone Authority (LETA) collects a monthly fee from all county telephone users to purchase equipment, train users and maintain equipment used to process E911 phone calls and dispatch appropriate emergency services providers.

In 2003, LETA developed a formula for the anticipated annual budget for these services for each Public Safety Answering Point (Emergency Services Dispatch Center) based on the number of dispatchers and the number of E911 telephone calls received in the center. Based on the formula, LETA provides the funds to the individual centers for payment of expenses. The 2010 amount based on 2009 expenditures for Fort Collins Police Services is \$10,967.

In the same manner, a formula was developed for each Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) for Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) based on the number of dispatchers and the number of EMD calls handled by the center. The 2010 amount based on 2009 expenditures for EMD for Fort Collins Police Services is \$27,676.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

This Ordinance appropriates the funds provided to the Fort Collins Police Services by LETA to purchase equipment, train users, maintain equipment for emergency services dispatching and pay for quality assurance audits of EMD related calls.

The total amount to be appropriated to these two budgets is \$ 38,643.

SUSTAINABILITY: ECONOMIC, ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL IMPACTS

This funding allows for continued training for employees in the Fort Collins Police Service Dispatch Center to include annual training on Emergency Medical Dispatching and auditing use of the EMD protocols, resulting in staff that is better trained and qualified to provide services to the community.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of the Ordinance on First Reading.

ORDINANCE NO. 051, 2010
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS
APPROPRIATING UNANTICIPATED REVENUE IN THE
GENERAL FUND FOR PURCHASE, TRAINING AND ON-GOING
MAINTENANCE OF THE E911 AND EMERGENCY DISPATCH SYSTEMS
AT FORT COLLINS POLICE SERVICES DISPATCH CENTER

WHEREAS, Larimer Emergency Telephone Authority (“LETA”) collects a monthly fee from Larimer County telephone users and allocates funds to purchase and maintain the equipment used to process E911 telephone calls, train users, and dispatch appropriate Emergency Services Providers; and

WHEREAS, LETA distributes funds to each Emergency Services Dispatch Center based on the number of dispatchers and the number of E911 telephone calls received at that location; and

WHEREAS, LETA also distributes funds to each Emergency Services Dispatch Center based on the number of dispatchers and the number of Emergency Medical Dispatch calls handled by that location; and

WHEREAS, funding is based on 2009 expenditures, and for 2010 the City will receive a total amount of \$38,643 from LETA (the “LETA Funds”); and

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 9, of the City Charter permits the City Council to make supplemental appropriations by ordinance at any time during the fiscal year, provided that the total amount of such supplemental appropriations, in combination with all previous appropriations for that fiscal year, does not exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues to be received during the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, City staff has determined that the appropriation of the LETA Funds, as described herein, will not cause the total amount appropriated in the General Fund to exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues to be received in that fund during the fiscal year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS that there is hereby appropriated from unanticipated revenue in the General Fund the sum of THIRTY EIGHT THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FORTY THREE DOLLARS (\$38,643) for expenditure in the General Fund for E911 and Emergency Medical Dispatch Systems at the Poudre Emergency Communications Center.

Introduced, considered favorably on first reading, and ordered published this 4th day of May, A.D. 2010, and to be presented for final passage on the 18th day of May, A.D. 2010.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Passed and adopted on final reading on the 18th day of May, A.D. 2010.

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