

County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Resolution No. R2011-0136

Sponsored by: County Executive FitzGerald/Department of Justice Affairs	A Resolution authorizing the County Executive to enter into an agreement with State of Ohio, Department of Administrative Services in the amount not-to-exceed \$861,007.79 for purchase and installation of a tower site and associated equipment for the Multi-Agency Radio Communications System (MARCS) for the period 4/12/2011 – 8/15/2011, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.
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WHEREAS, the Department of Justice Affairs has submitted a request for the County Executive to enter into an agreement with the State of Ohio, Department of Administrative Services, in the amount not to exceed \$861,007.79 for purchase and installation of a tower site and associated equipment for the Multi-Agency Radio Communications System (MARCS) for the period 4/12/2011 – 8/15/2011; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 092266 adopted by the Cuyahoga County Board of Commissioners on May 28, 2009, approved the FY2008 Urban Area Security Initiative (FY2008 UASI) to coordinate and identify activities, procurement, and services utilizing grant funds received by the County in order to improve interoperability and communications among the Safety Forces of Cuyahoga County; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 125.18 (F) of the Ohio Revised Code, the Ohio Department of Administrative Services, Office of Information Technology, may establish cooperative agreements with federal and local government agencies for the provision of technology services and the development of technology projects; and,

WHEREAS, the FY2008 Urban Area Security Initiative grant funds were awarded to the County from the Department of Homeland Security, for the County, and on behalf of the municipalities and other permissible agencies in Cuyahoga County, for the building and/or completion of tower sites and installation of equipment pertaining to the Emergency Management Agency and the completion of the Ohio Multi-Agency Radio Communications System thereby allowing for & improving interoperability and communications; and,

WHEREAS, the need to improve communications among the Safety Forces of Cuyahoga County and other County and State Agencies is essential to the safety of the residents of Cuyahoga County; and,

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio in cooperation with Cuyahoga County has already spent grant monies to develop a interoperable radio system by the construction of other radio towers within Cuyahoga County; and,

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio has considerable experience with the construction of the type of radio towers requested; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed agreement will allow for a complete build of a 180 foot monopole tower at I-90 and Columbia and the installation of equipment allowing for the tower site to be an operational tower on the MARCS system; the purchase and installation of a shelter and equipment for the tower site at I-480 and Stearns; and the installation of equipment at the Chagrin Falls tower site; and

WHEREAS, the allocated federal funds must be spent by the August 31, 2011 project deadline; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO:

SECTION 1. That the County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the State of Ohio, Department of Administrative Services, in the amount not to exceed \$861,007.79 for purchase and installation of a tower site and associated equipment for the Multi-Agency Radio Communications System (MARCS) for the period 4/12/2011 – 8/15/2011.

SECTION 2. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective in order that necessary construction and installation of equipment for interoperability of communications system can be accomplished within the project completion deadlines, and further, because the allocated federal grant funds must be expended by the August 31, 2011 project deadline or they will be lost. Provided that this Resolution receive the affirmative vote of eight members of Council, this Resolution shall become immediately effective upon the signature of the County Executive.

SECTION 3. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

On a motion by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Gallagher, the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted.

Yeas: Conwell, Jones, Connally, Rogers, Simon, Greenspan, Miller, Brady, Germana and Gallagher

Nays: None

County Council President

Date

County Executive

Date

Clerk of Council

Date

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