



TO: T.C. Broadnax, City Manager
FROM: Faith Mueller, Acting Fire Chief *FM*
COPY: City Council and City Clerk
SUBJECT: Requested Resolution, Pierce County, 2014 PSAP Participation Agreement, 1/28/14
DATE: January 8, 2014

SUMMARY:

The Tacoma Fire Department (TFD) requests approval of the Pierce County Enhanced 9-1-1 (E911) Public Safety Answering Point Participation (PSAP) interlocal Agreement for the period January through December 2014.

BACKGROUND:

Pierce County receives from the State of Washington tax moneys from telephone service for the operation and support of the countywide E911 system. Since 1997, the County has, in turn, continued agreements with the various agencies operating E911 emergency call centers in Pierce County to set standards and expectations for PSAP operations and to provide funds to help support the centers' activities and equipment. For 2014, the proposed agreement identifies those activities devolving to South Sound 911 or to Pierce County in other capacities, such as for the purchase of radio equipment that resulted from the recent countywide voter approval of the emergency communications sales tax and are not part of the proposed PSAP agreement.

ISSUE:

Interlocal agreements must be authorized by the Council. The proposed interlocal agreement authorizes renewal of the PSAP agreement for 2014 and provides \$246,190 in E911 tax funding for the support of the Fire Communications Center. The proposed amount represents a 3% (\$7,172) increase above the total provided in 2013.

ALTERNATIVES:

Failure to execute the proposed PSAP agreement would result in loss of nearly \$250,000 in E911 tax funding used to fund support services and equipment for the Fire Communications Center in 2014.

RECOMMENDATION:

TFD recommends approval of the proposed PSAP agreement for 2014. The standards and expectations included in the agreement are reasonable and consistent with those included in previous legislation. The funding provided reduces dependence on the General Fund to provide certain professional and technical services and to buy and maintain equipment for the Fire Communications Center.



FISCAL IMPACT:

EXPENDITURES:

FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME *	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
1090 Fire Special Revenue Fund	668500	5220100	\$40,000
	668500	5330100	\$75,000
	668500	5412170	\$131,190
TOTAL			\$246,190

* General Fund: Include Department

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
Intergovernmental Grants	668500	4330100	\$246,190
TOTAL			\$246,190

POTENTIAL POSITION IMPACT:

POSITION TITLE	PERMANENT/ PROJECT TEMPORARY POSITION	FTE IMPACT	POSITION END DATE
(Not Applicable)			
TOTAL			

This section should only be completed if a subsequent request will be made to increase or decrease the current position count.

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: \$485,208

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Yes

IF EXPENSE IS NOT BUDGETED, PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW THEY ARE TO BE COVERED.

(Not Applicable).