

FLOYD COUNTY ORDINANCE 2001- XI

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM FUNDS

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of IC 36-8-16, et seq., the Floyd County Council has established a uniform enhanced emergency telephone system fee, which fees, upon receipt, are deposited by the Floyd County Auditor in the Floyd County Emergency Telephone System Fund; and

WHEREAS, By virtue of the imposition of a countywide fee by the Floyd County Council, and the provisions of IC 36-8-16-5(b), Floyd County must permit all public emergency response agencies in the county to participate in the enhanced emergency telephone system and must participate in the installation and operation of the enhanced emergency telephone system for all participating agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Civil City of New Albany, Floyd County, Indiana, for and on behalf of its police and fire departments, has petitioned the Board of Commissioners of the County of Floyd for funds to purchase communication equipment to replace the existing city system, all as is more particularly set forth in the letter of David B. Graves, Chief of Police, dated the 13th day of June, 2001, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the County of Floyd has determined that the requested equipment constitutes a necessary part of the emergency telephone system of Floyd County, Indiana; that the purchase of same is authorized by the provisions of IC 36-8-16-14; and that the purchase of such equipment is consistent with the audit position of the state board of accounts; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the County of Floyd is presently desirous of approving the request of the City of New Albany for the sum \$175,000.00; appropriating the necessary funds as provided by the provisions of IC 36-8-16-14; and authorizing the City to proceed with the purchase in accordance with IC 5-22-8 et seq.

NOW THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED, that the request of the Civil City of New Albany, Floyd County, Indiana, for assistance in the funding of the purchase of new communication equipment is approved, and that, pursuant to the authority of IC 36-8-16-4, a sum not to exceed \$175,000.00 be, and the same hereby is, appropriated from the Floyd County Emergency Telephone System Fund for the use by said City in the purchase of new communication equipment which will become a part of the countywide enhanced emergency telephone system, with the list of the equipment to be so purchased being appended hereto and made a part hereof as exhibit B.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the purchase of equipment by the City of New Albany be in accordance with the provisions of IC 5-22-8, et seq.

SO ORDAINED this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2001.

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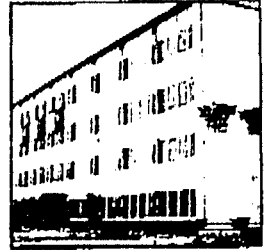
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June 13, 2001

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EXHIBIT A

Sirs:

As per the request of the Board of Commissioners and Attorney Max Mason on June 12, 2001, this letter is to advise you that the request for funding by the New Albany Police Department and the New Albany Fire Department for the purchase of 800 MHz radio equipment, was made in order to enhance the abilities of the police department and fire department to provide adequate emergency services to the City of New Albany. As was related during the Board of Commissioner's meeting, the present radio system being utilized by the two departments is a high band system that currently does not provide necessary coverage, due to the antennas for both departments having been lowered when they were moved last year from the radio tower in Silver Hills onto the tower for the Indiana-American Water Company. The move was implemented due to the fact that the property on which the old radio tower and repeater station facility were located was sold, and the facilities subsequently razed. The arrangement is that the police and fire antennas may remain on the Indiana-American Water Company tower for no more than two years, and that arrangement will expire in October of 2002.

The decision to change from a 155 MHz radio system to an 800 MHz system was made for the following reasons: (1) The Floyd County Sheriff's Department is presently on the 800 MHz system, and Sheriff Randy Hubbard has advised the police department and fire department that his system is large enough to accommodate the additional radios; (2) the police department and fire department will be able to communicate with sheriff's department personnel when needed; (3) the 800 MHz system is compatible with the installation of mobile data terminals in the event the police department and/or fire department is able to purchase that equipment in the future; (4) there are no "dead spots" when utilizing the 800 MHz system, as are presently being experienced by both the police and fire departments with the current system; and (5) the increased coverage will provide greater safety for the officers and firefighters utilizing the 800 MHz system, which in turn will provide for an increase in the level of service and public safety for the community.

Indiana Code 36-8-16-14 outlines the areas for which fees collected for the E911 system may be spent. While the law does not specifically list radio equipment, a letter from Charles Johnson, III, a C.P.A. with the State Board of Accounts, dated November 2, 2000 to Senator Charles B. Meeks, states in part, "IC 36-8-16-14 lists the uses of the E911 Fund. One of these uses is the lease, purchase, or maintenance of enhanced emergency telephone equipment, including necessary computer hardware, software, and data base provisioning. Our audit position is that radios for squad cars fall within the above definition and we would not take an audit exception to this purchase." It is the position of the police and fire departments that the 800 MHz radios fall within the category of emergency communications equipment, and as such are an integral part of the E911 system.

Your consideration and financial assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



David B. Graves  
Chief of Police

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# Public Safety 800 Mhz Radio Conversion

Model #		Police	Fire	Total
TK480/KSC20/KNB17A	Kenwood 800MHz Portable with rapid rate charger and high capacity battery	90	40	130
KMC-25	Kenwood Speaker MIC with spring loaded clip	90	40	130
TK-980	Kenwood 800 MHz Mobile with mic and bracket	75	25	100
	Factory modification of mobile for Enhanced FleetSync to work with Tk-980	75	25	100
8055F	5db gain antennas with coax cable	75	25	100
TK980	Kenwood 800 MHz base station To include: Desk Mic, power supply, 50 ft of cable, and outside Yagi antenna	0	5	5
	- Installation of base station	0	1	1
P-125A	CSI PA 125 Watt Amplifier	0	5	5
UPS-400	400 VA/240 Watts UPS System	0	5	5
	2 Tone Decoders	0	5	5
	- Installation of paging system	0	1	1
	Kenwood KCT-19	0	5	5
	- Installation of KCT-19	0	1	1
	Kenwood Enhanced FleetSync Software	1	1	2
	Controller card for Console Including installation	1	0	1
	Steel Shank Nylon Portable Radio Holster	90	0	90
	Reflective Nylon Portable Radio Holster	0	40	40
	Police Mobile Radio Installation @ 3hrs x \$56	75	0	75
	Fire Mobile Radio Installation @ 8hrs x \$56	0	25	25

EXHIBIT B