



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS

To: Mayor Graham and City Council
From: John Betten, Chief of Police
Walter Denton, City Administrator
Date: July 7, 2008
Subject: Resolution to Approve Payment to St. Clair County.

List of committees that have reviewed: None

Background: In October 2007, the City entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with St. Clair County for purposes of applying for a Public Safety Interoperability Communications Grant (PSIG). The purpose of the grant was to fund the conversion of our radio system to 800 MHz to allow for interoperable communication between all public safety resources. The MOU was executed on behalf of the Fire Department, the Police Department and EMS and will provide new radio infrastructure across the board. The MOU required the City to agree to a minimum 20% match and to cover other costs not funded by the grant. In total, the County's grant application, in which the City is a "sub-grantee", was funded at approximately 56% so the City has an obligation to pay \$217,054.80 of a total project cost of \$493,380.24. When the grant project is completed, all of the City's public safety agencies will be using interoperable communications.

Legal Considerations, if any: None

Budget Impact: \$217,054.80 total cost for the project. Upon completion, the cost will be divided between the three agencies (Police, Fire and EMS) and paid from the current budgets.

Staff recommendation: Approval