

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska                    ) Application No. 911-042.18  
Public Service Commission, on                    )  
its own motion, seeking to                    )  
administer funding for public                    ) ORDER APPROVING USE OF  
safety answering points for the                    ) FUNDING  
implementation and provision of                    )  
Enhanced Wireless 911 service:                    )  
City of North Platte.                            ) Entered: May 29, 2013

BY THE COMMISSION:

On or about March 11, 2013, the City of North Platte (North Platte) filed two requests to use the enhanced wireless 911 set aside funds. The first requests approval to use funds toward the upgrade existing Phase II 911 equipment at a total cost of \$83,650.31 and an additional \$7,780.13 for software and hardware maintenance. North Platte would propose using its enhanced wireless 911 funds for 72% of the total cost, which is less than the 74% wireless call volumes currently on file. Therefore the total wireless related costs would be \$65,829.91.

The second request is to use set aside funds toward 74% of the purchase an upgrade to its mapping system at a total cost of \$39,112 and an annual maintenance contract for the system at a total cost of \$9,488. The 74% is consistent with the wireless call volumes on file and the cost of the upgrade reflects a discount of \$18,000. The wireless portion of the costs would be \$28,942.88 for the mapping upgrade and \$7,021.12 for the maintenance contract.

The Wireless Enhanced 911 Advisory Board considered the requests at its April 22, 2013 meeting and recommended the requests be approved.

O P I N I O N   A N D   F I N D I N G S

The Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission) adopted the permanent cost model to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service under Docket No. 911-019/PI-118.

Based upon the request to use funding, supporting documentation, and in consideration of the recommendation of the Advisory Board, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that the costs requested are eligible under Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-465 as costs have been incurred or will be incurred for the purchase,

installation, maintenance or operation of telecommunications equipment and telecommunications services required for the provision of enhanced wireless 911 service.

Pursuant to the permanent funding mechanism, PSAPs are permitted to retain up to seventy-five percent (75%) of the amount allocated to that PSAP for the future purchase of equipment and software. According to North Platte, they have set aside sufficient funds for the project.

Based upon the above, the Commission finds that the request to use funding filed by North Platte should be approved in the amount of **\$65,829.91** toward the purchase of the 911 equipment and the attendant maintenance, **\$28,942.88** toward the upgrade to the mapping system, **\$7,021.12** toward a one-year maintenance contract.

Should North Platte wish to be heard by the Commission regarding this request it shall notify the Commission in writing **within fifteen (15) days** of this order and the matter will be set for hearing.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the funding request for the North Platte Sheriff's Office is hereby approved as set forth herein in the amount of **\$65,829.91** toward the purchase of the 911 equipment and the attendant maintenance, **\$28,942.88** toward the upgrade to the mapping system, **\$7,021.12** toward a one-year maintenance contract.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 29th day of May, 2013.

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Chair

ATTEST:

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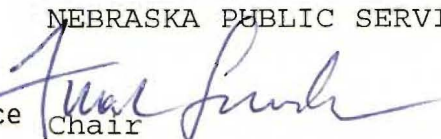
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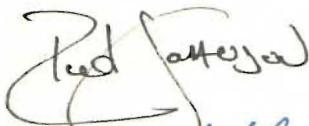
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//s// Frank E. Landis