

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska        ) Application No. 911-042.22  
Public Service Commission, on        )  
its own motion, seeking to         )  
administer funding for public        ) ORDER APPROVING FUNDING  
safety answering points for the       )  
implementation and provision of       )  
Enhanced Wireless 911 service:       )  
City of Columbus.                     ) Entered: June 16, 2015

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

On or about March 30, 2010, the Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission) opened the above-mentioned docket, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service pursuant to the permanent funding mechanism approved under Docket No. 911-019/PI-118.

On April 13, 2015, the City of Columbus (Columbus) filed its application for funding with the Commission pursuant to Docket No. 911-019/PI-118.

Columbus, which serves Platte County, is eligible for funding in the amount of up to \$76,974.92 for the 2015-16 funding year. Columbus has indicated that it anticipates using the funding provided for the support of 911 hardware, software, mapping, and GIS data maintenance; new equipment installation; 911 trunking costs; purchase of new 911 hardware, software and other equipment; training and services, and plans to set aside up to 40% of its funding for future equipment, software upgrades and purchases.

Prior funding commitments in the amount of \$3,666.63 were previously approved and must be deducted from the allocation.

Based upon the above, the Commission finds that the funding request for Columbus in the amount of up to \$73,308.29 should be approved consistent with the allocation determined in Docket 911-019/PI-118 paid in monthly installments of \$6,664.39 over eleven months.

Pursuant to Docket 911-019/PI-118, Columbus is required to submit documentation to justify expenditures, including an accounting of funds set aside for future equipment and software

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purchases, and update contact and other information no later than October 15, following the close of the funding year. If the Commission determines that any funds were not used appropriately, funding for the following funding year will be adjusted to recoup any necessary funds. All PSAPs are subject to audit.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the funding request for Columbus is hereby approved as set forth herein in the amount of up to \$73,308.29.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Columbus submit required documentation to justify all expenditures with approved funds no later than October 15, following the close of the funding year consistent with the terms of the order approving the permanent funding mechanism and process in Docket 911-019/PI-118 entered on February 23, 2010.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2015.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

*Tim Schran*

Chairman

*Crystal Luvadis*

ATTEST:

*Red Jones*

*Sharon Kueh*

Deputy Director

//s//Frank E. Landis

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