



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

AGENDA ITEM NO.

C-22

For the meeting of: June 13, 2017

Date: May 29, 2017
To: Board of Supervisors
From: William F. Honsal, Sheriff
Subject: FY 2016-17 Budget Adjustment Request for Humboldt County Sheriff's Operations Budget Unit 221 for Purchase of Dispatch Emergency Radio Console (4/5 vote required)

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve a supplemental budget adjustment request in Budget Unit 221 Sheriff – Operations to establish a fixed asset line item in FY 2017-18 for the purchase of a dispatch radio console (4/5 vote required); and

		Revenue	Expense
1100-221-707263	Donations	\$141,952	
1100-221-8690	Fixed Asset – Radio Equipment		\$141,952

2. Accept payment in the amount of \$141,951.24 from Pacific Gas and Electric Company to be used for the purchase of the radio console and software.

Prepared by Norma S. Lorenzo
Norma S. Lorenzo, Deputy Director Sheriff Admin

CAO Approval [Signature]

REVIEW:

Auditor MSM County Counsel _____ Human Resources _____ Other _____

TYPE OF ITEM:

☒ Consent
☐ Departmental
☐ Public Hearing
☐ Other _____

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No. _____

Meeting of: _____

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

Upon motion of Supervisor Wilson
Seconded by Supervisor Sundberg

Ayes Sundberg, Fennell, Bass, Bohn, Wilson
Nays _____
Abstain _____
Absent _____

And carried by those members present, the Board hereby approves the recommended action contained in this report.

Dated: June 13, 2017

By: [Signature]
Kathy Hayes, Clerk of the Board

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Pacific Gas and Electric Company

DISCUSSION:

In 2001 the Sheriff's Office Emergency Communications Center (ECC) purchased a radio console system that allowed for computerized radio and telephone communication. Software upgrades were made to the system in 2006; however, the console itself has not been upgraded since 2001. The maintenance contract on the system expired in June 2015. Because of the age of the system, a new maintenance contract was not available and repairs have been made on a time and materials basis since that date. The radio console has now reached full retirement age and the service provider has notified ECC that parts are very difficult or impossible to procure.

In March 2017 the Sheriff's Office included a request for funds to replace this console in the FY 2017-18 Measure Z budget application. In the interim, discussions were taking place between the ECC Supervisor and Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PGE) regarding the county's ability to provide uninterrupted radio dispatch services. Since PGE's King Salmon facility stores spent fuel rods at the site, PGE expressed serious concerns about ECC's failing systems. The result of the discussions was an offer by PGE to provide financial support for the purchase a new radio console for use by the county.

A supplemental budget in the amount of \$141,952 is requested to establish the appropriate budget fixed line to facilitate a purchase of replacement radio console and software in the Sheriff's Emergency Communications Center. All costs for the radio console upgrade and will be covered by the donation from PGE.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

A supplemental budget adjustment is requested to establish a fixed asset line item in the approved FY 2016-17 budget for the Humboldt County Sheriff's Operations budget unit 1100-221-8690 Fixed Asset – Radio Equipment in the amount of \$141,952 for the purchase of a dispatch radio console and software.

Payment in the amount of \$141,951.24 was received from PGE to be used solely for the purchase of a new radio console.

The budget adjustment and offer of support from PGE meets the Board of Supervisors Strategic Framework Plan goal of facilitating public/private partnerships to solve problems.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

None

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board could deny the request to approve the budget supplemental adjustment request, however, this is not recommended as the current dispatch voice logging recorder is unreliable and has a high potential for complete failure.

ATTACHMENTS:

None