

## STAFF REPORT

**Recommendation:** Accept contract with PS Rad Com LLC to provide radio administrator services for the public safety radio system.

**Background:**

In 2015, Fremont purchased and deployed an 800 MHz public radio system for first responders in the city. In 2018, Dodge County embarked on a project to extend this system across Dodge County. Fremont responders will use this county wide system and through the PSAP agreement, will be a partner in this system.

The Dodge county system is a subnet of the Omaha Regional Interoperable Network (ORION), a 5-county/ OPPD, partnership. This radio system and the network that connects it is a highly sophisticated technological system that needs to be supported and maintained. Each county in ORION has personnel that oversee the operation and support of the system and the subscribers in their respective counties. They work together to keep the system running. These personnel are required to be highly familiar with their own subnets as well as the ORION system as a whole and the legacy radio systems they must support. The radio administrator must be able to have the security clearances and the ability to work with the other administrators in the region.

In March 2022, an RFP was published twice and distributed by email to area land/mobile radio service providers, seeking a Radio Administrator to provide the system manager duties. One proposal was received, from PS Rad Com LLC.

The Operations Board negotiated pricing and services with PS Rad Com to arrive at the contract presented. This service will provide support to the 800 MHz system, the legacy conventional radios that remain, the dispatch consoles and the responder radio equipment.

**Fiscal Impact:** \$79,000

The PSAP Governance board unanimously voted to accept the contract with PS Rad Com, LLC at their October 7, 2022 meeting.

This project is part of the combined city/county PSAP. The PSAP Governance Board has agreed to split all countywide radio expenses 50/50.