



AGENDA ITEM ANALYSIS

Project/Issue Name: 21-R-24 A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Republic, Missouri, Authorizing the Purchase of Radios for the Fire Department

Submitted By: Duane Compton, Fire Chief

Date: June 15, 2021

Issue Statement

To approve the placement of an order to purchase twenty-seven (27) Harris portable radios.

Discussion and/or Analysis

The Republic Fire Department would like to purchase twenty-seven (27) Harris portable radios and related equipment for the department from Communications Associates of Springfield. The current portable radios that are used by the fire department are reaching the end of their lifespan and have been in service for over ten years. The new radios will also allow the Fire Department to upgrade from the current 800 MHz system to the new digital P25 communication system that will be activated in August of this year.

\$85,000.00 was included in the 2021 Capital Improvement Sales Tax for this purchase. The bid tabulation is below from the three vendors that submitted bids.

- Communications Associates located in Springfield \$83,070.79. Harris brand of radio.
- Wiest Tech located in Neosho \$87,959.47. Harris brand of radio.
- N-Route located in Ozark \$107,323.77. Motorola brand of radio.

Recommended Action

Fire Chief Duane Compton recommends approving the placement of an order to purchase twenty-seven (27) Harris radios for the Fire Department and related equipment totaling \$83,070.79.