Back Up PSAP Update

Vance County Board of Commissioners February 6, 2012

New State Regulations

- The NC 911 Board has proposed a series of standards for all recognized PSAP's (911 call centers) in the State.
- These standards regulate everything including training, staffing, equipment and protocols.
- While not officially adopted at this point, the new standards are expected to be put in place in the next 12 months and are not expected to change from what has been proposed.

Back UP PSAP Requirement

- One of the requirements of the new regulations is that of a backup PSAP (911 Center).
- Presently Vance County does not have a <u>true</u> backup PSAP.
- We do have agreements with surrounding counties for temporary backup services in the event of an outage; however, under the new standards, this does not meet the requirement.

Regional Approach

- We did approach Warren and Franklin Counties with the concept of a regional backup 911 Center.
- We met twice with representatives from both counties including their 911 Center Managers, County Managers and some of their elected officials (Commissioners).
- Both counties were interested but simply did not have the funding to allow them to pursue a backup 911 center presently in any form.

Regional Approach Cont.

- At the request of the Public Safety Committee, we have continued to look at the possibility of regionalizing the backup center with Warren and / or Franklin County.
- Both counties seem interested on some level but we are running out of time if we are to have our funds spent by the June 30th deadline.
- We have approached Franklin County about use of some land in Epsom and also about their interest in a regional center located in Vance County.

Regional Location - EPSOM



Regional Location – Clark Elementary School



We have approached Franklin County about the possibility of using land adjacent to the new Clark Elementary School as a regional location due to its location.

We have not spoken with Warren County at this point but believe they may be interested in that site as well based on previous conversations that we have had.

The school Maintenance Director and Superintendant are also interested and are willing to support this idea if and when it goes before the School Board.

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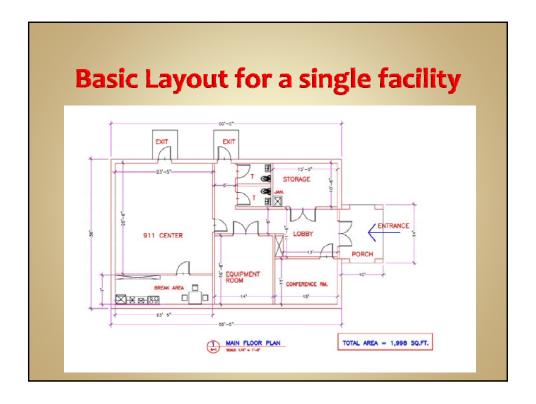


Basic Building Concept

- We have determined that it would require a minimum of 2,000 square feet to accommodate our needs.
- This is being very conservative and not factoring in a lot of room for growth.
- Construction costs for a concrete foundation, decorative block, metal roof structure would be around \$130.00 per square foot, or \$259,000.00 roughly.
- This would pay for the building construction, electrical, HVAC, water and sewer & paint and carpet.

Basic Building Concept Cont.

- Based on our available funds, time constraints and the suggested location, we are recommending a metal building constructed with certain safety requirements.
- This would cut costs down considerably.
- Either of these two locations would be better suited to a standalone center but could become a regional center if the interest was there.



Recurring Costs?

- Having a backup PSAP will increase our monthly recurring operational costs.
- However, the vast majority of our recurring costs can be covered utilizing E-911 Surcharge funds.
- The remaining local costs would be limited to utility bills and insurance costs.
- We estimate these being no more than \$450.00 per month / \$5,400 annually for a single County.

Time is of the Essence

- In our case we really need to move on this now.
- We have a very narrow window of time in which to spend our unrestricted ETS funds to pay for the construction of the backup location.
- If we do not begin the construction process almost immediately we will not have the funds expended by the end of June 2012.
- The funds must be spent and cannot be encumbered.
- We are requesting that you approve the proposed location at Kerr Lake FD.

QUESTIONS???