

TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Information for Town Council Meeting on: September 13, 2018

To: Mayor and Town Council

Via: Kirk W. Blouin, Town Manager

From: Nicholas Caristo, Acting Chief of Police

Re: Payment to Municipal Public Safety Communications Consortium (MPSCC) of Palm Beach County, Inc. for FY 2019 Operating Costs
Resolution No. 135-2018

Date: August 21, 2018

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends Town Council approve purchase order and payment in the amount of \$82,397.08 to the Municipal Public Safety Communications Consortium (MPSCC) of Palm Beach County, Inc. for the Town's share of the MPSCC's FY 2018 Operating Costs as detailed in Exhibit A and subject to approval of Fiscal Year 2019 Budget.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Town of Palm Beach is a charter member of the MPSCC which oversees the regional inter-agency Harris Open Sky radio system. As a participating member, the Town is obligated to pay operating costs as set forth in the "Third Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement Establishing the Municipal Public Safety Communications Consortium (MPSCC) of Palm Beach County" (approved by Resolution No.20-2011 at the April 12, 2011, Town Council Meeting).

The Open Sky Radio system built by Harris Corp, serviced by Citation Communications and managed by the Town in conjunction with MPSCC partners is providing a reliable and effective radio system for use by member agencies of the consortium, including the Palm Beach Police (since 2010) and Fire-Rescue (since 2011) Departments. Eight (8) other local law enforcement agencies (West Palm Beach, Palm Beach Gardens, Jupiter, Atlantis, Juno, Jupiter Inlet Colony, Palm Beach County School Board and North Palm Beach) make up the remaining consortium members.

FUNDING/FISCAL IMPACT

Annual cost percentages are based on member usage/radios and other criteria agreed on by consortium members. The cost per radio for FY2019 to participate in the consortium is approximately \$350. The Town's share of the FY 2019 MPSCC Operating Cost is \$82,397.08. This represents a decrease of \$3,968.20 from the previous year's total of \$86,365.29.

This expense is shared proportionally with the Fire Rescue Department (65% Police = \$53,558.10 and 35% Fire Rescue = \$28,838.98) in order to more accurately reflect true cost of operating expenses for each organization. Budget allocations have been included in both Police and Fire-Rescue FY2019 Proposed Budgets.

PURCHASING REVIEW

This is not a purchasing related item, as payment is a requirement of the consortium, and therefore approval is not required.

TOWN ATTORNEY REVIEW

The Town Attorney has reviewed this resolution and approved for legal form and sufficiency.

/LSG

Attachment

Cc: Jane LeClainche, Finance Director
Darrel Donatto, Fire Rescue Chief
Dean Mealy, Purchasing Manager
John C. Randolph, Town Attorney