

## **MUNICIPAL ORDER 5-2021**

**A MUNICIPAL ORDER AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN APPLICATION FOR A FY2021 COMPETITIVE GRANT THROUGH THE KENTUCKY 911 SERVICES BOARD IN AN APPROXIMATE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$165,000.00, THE PROCEEDS OF WHICH WILL BE UTILIZED BY THE CITY OF OWENSBORO TO PURCHASE A NEW RECORDER FOR USE BY THE OWENSBORO-DAVISS COUNTY CENTRALIZED 911 COMMUNICATIONS CENTER; A TEN PERCENT (10%) MATCH BEING REQUIRED BY APPLICANTS; CITY'S MATCHING CONTRIBUTION SHALL NOT EXCEED \$12,045.00.**

**WHEREAS**, the current 911 Recorder, purchased in 2009 when the Daviess County 911 Center and Owensboro 911 Center consolidated, is utilized 24/7, 365 days a year, and is no longer supported or capable of NG911 recording functionality or operating on any of the currently supported Windows platforms; and

**WHEREAS**, purchasing a new recorder is not achievable due to the limited budget given to sustain the initial consolidation of the 911 Communications Center; and

**WHEREAS**, with the COVID-19 pandemic, the 911 Communications Center has modified the way business is conducted by separating call takers and dispatchers, therefore relying on the CAD and recorder at the primary center to help streamline the day-to-day operations; and

**WHEREAS**, the 911 Communications Center has added equipment at each 911 Center over the past ten (10) years and until recently, the system has been capable of sustaining itself. However, that option is no longer viable as the current version of the recorder and hardware is not sustainable on any of the current Internet Windows

platforms. The current office 911 Recorder does not have the capability of upgrade without a complete forklift replacement. An interface was attempted in 2019, however, the CAD vendor cannot interface the current recorder due to the software operating on an older platform; and

**WHEREAS**, the Recorder is relied upon to play back a recording for life and death scenarios, therefore placing the 911 Communications Center in a vulnerable plight for recording verifications; and

**WHEREAS**, the Owensboro-Daviess County Centralized 911 Communications Center seeks to file an application for a FY2021 Competitive Grant through the Kentucky 911 Services Board in an approximate amount not to exceed \$165,000.00, the proceeds of which the City of Owensboro will purchase a new 911 Recorder; and a ten percent (10%) match is required of applicants for this grant. The City's matching contribution shall not exceed \$12,045.00.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE CITY OF OWENSBORO, KENTUCKY, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** That the Mayor be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to execute a grant application to be filed with the 911 Emergency Services Board for the FY2021 Kentucky 911 Services Board Program for grant funds in an approximate amount not to exceed \$165,000.00, the proceeds of which the City of Owensboro will purchase a new 911 Recorder, for which a ten percent (10%) match shall be required by applicants. The City's matching contribution shall not exceed \$12,045.00.

**Section 2.** That the Mayor, City Manager and appropriate staff members are hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all other agreements, instruments or documents necessary and appropriate to effectuate and implement any grants awarded to the City.

**INTRODUCED, PUBLICLY READ AND FINALLY APPROVED ON ONE READING,** this the 2nd day of February, 2021.

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Thomas H. Watson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Beth Davis, City Clerk