

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
Tuesday, June 19, 2018, 4:00 PM
City Council Chambers
200 Lincoln Avenue, Santa Fe, NM 87501

- 1. Roll Call
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- 3. Approval of the April 17, 2018 and May 15, 2018 Minutes
- 4. New Business/Action Items:
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- 6. Matters from Interim Police Chief Andrew Padilla
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- 11. Adjournment

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# MINUTES OF THE MEETING CITY OF SANTA FE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE Tuesday, June 17, 2018

A meeting of the City of Santa Fe Public Safety Committee was called to order by Chair Christopher M. Rivera, on Tuesday, 17, 2018, at 4:00 p.m., in the City Council Chambers, 200 Lincoln Avenue, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

# 1. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

# MEMBERS PRESENT:

Christopher M. Rivera, Chair Herbert L. Harris, Jr. Gerald Joyce Dr. Nancy Owen-Lewis Dr. Mike Mier Peter D. Mizrahi Stephen Tapke

# **MEMBERS EXCUSED:**

Frank Arellano Michael Bowen

#### OTHERS PRESENT:

Interim Police Chief Andrew Padilla, Santa Fe Police Department Assistant Fire Chief Jan Snyder, Santa Fe Fire Department Athena Martinez, Administrative Assistant, Santa Fe Police Department Melessia Helberg, Stenographer

There was a quorum of the Committee in attendance for the conducting of official business.

# 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**MOTION:** Dr. Mike Mier moved, seconded by Peter Mizrahi, that the Agenda be approved as presented.

**VOTE:** The motion was approved unanimously on a voice vote.

# 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR APRIL 17, 2018 AND MAY 15, 2018

**MOTION:** Peter Mizrahi moved, seconded by Dr. Mike Mier, to approve the minutes of the meetings of April 17, 2018 and May 15, 2018, as submitted.

**VOTE**: The motion was approved unanimously on a voice vote.

# 4. NEW BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS:

A. A RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING SEVERE OR EXTREME DROUGHT CONDITIONS MAY EXIST IN THE CITY OF SANTA FE; IMPOSING FIRE RESTRICTIONS; RESTRICTING THE SALE OR USE OF FIREWORKS WITHIN THE CITY OF SANTA FE AND PROHIBITING OTHER FIRE HAZARD ACTIVITIES (COUNCILOR RIVERA). (REY GONZALES AND PORFIRIO CHAVARRIA

Assistant Fire Chief Jan Snyder said this has been done in years past based, on the drought and current fire conditions. There are fires in several areas, and the monsoon has not come not yet. He said the National forest is shut down, as well as the County access to the foothills. The City has the Dale Ball Trail open to hikers.

Chair Rivera said this Resolution has to come up every 30 days to be in place by the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, noting we are still in severe drought conditions, and we are trying to be as pro-active as possible.

Mr. Joyce asked if the water main at SWAN Park has been activated, noting he has never seen that done.

Assistant Fire Chief Snyder said he doesn't know.

Mr. Joyce said it was tied in when they did the utilities, but he's never seen it being operated.

Chair Rivera asked Assistant Fire Chief Snyder to check on that, and ask Jessica or Athena to let Committee know what the Assistant Fire Chief finds out.

Mr. Mizrahi asked if restrictions still are applied to the aerial type units.

Assistant Fire Chief Snyder said yes.

Mr. Mizrahi asked if sparklers and other above ground fireworks are still okay.

Assistant Fire Chief Snyder said yes.

Mr. Mizrahi asked if there is any way that we can restrict everything. Is there any way the City can just say no fireworks.

Assistant Fire Chief Snyder said yes, and they have done so in the past for numerous reasons.

Dr. Mier said it is a political thing, as well as a public safety issue, and some municipalities have banned all fireworks entirely. He said it would be a nightmare for law enforcement and Fire to try to enforce that, although he agrees that it is very dry.

**MOTION:** Stephen Tapke moved, seconded by Dr. Nancy Owen-Lewis, to approve this request.

**VOTE**: The motion was approved unanimously on a voice vote.

Chair Rivera, with the concurrence of the Committee, said he would like to hear Item #5 next

# 5. MATTERS FROM MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE VIRGINIA VIGIL.

Judge Vigil said she is here to answer questions. She noted her Memorandum which is in the Committee Packet, commenting that one of the biggest changes are the new bond rules which are effective July 1, 2018, with stringent requirements requiring intensive response in dealing with that issue. She said we are at about the same growth cycle as other Municipal Courts in trying to comply with the new rules and regulations, and it has been an adjustment.

Judge Vigil said they are incorporating mindfulness into the Court, which is an opportunity to learn techniques to be stronger in dealing with offenses. She noted information on the numbers of cases processed is in the packet. She noted the Court is no longer doing the parking cases, which now are being done administratively. She said DWI's have increased and those require a lot of response by the Municipal Court and the Police.

Dr. Mier asked Judge to explain what Homeless Court is.

Judge Vigil said Homeless Court is quite unique to Santa Fe. It was implemented long before she was elected for homeless defendants and it is intended to process those cases by meeting at the interfaith shelter [the old Pete's Pets]. It is easier for homeless defendants to go to Court, and it is an incentive for them to come to Court.

Dr. Mier asked if the kinds of citations vary from vagrancy and shoplifting.

Judge Vigil said yes, and invited the Committee to visit the Homeless Court on the first Friday of each month at 1:00 p.m. at the shelter. She said they pre-prosecute those cases, requiring them to do certain things depending on the offence, with the incentive being dismissal of the citation.

Mr. Mizrahi noted a discrepancy on fees collected in the report, noting there were \$55,826 fees collect, the City kept \$53,509, with an additional \$6,500 for the AOC and JEC, for a total of more than \$60,000. He asked how the discrepancy is made up.

Judge Vigil said by statute the portion of fines collected to be set aside for AOC and the JEC, with the remainder distributed appropriately.

Mr. Harris said he thinks Mr. Mizrahi is saying that it appears that the portion distributed is greater than what was taken in.

Judge Vigil said she will speak with her finance person and follow up with a specific explanation.

Chair Rivera asked if she is anticipating a reduction in value because of the reduction in parking cases.

Judge Vigil said definitely, because the fines now are being collected administratively.

Chair Rivera asked the impact of that change.

Judge Vigil said she doesn't have that information with her, but she will get back to the Committee with that information.

Chair Rivera asked her to give that response to Jessica Pfeifer or Athena Martinez to distribute to the Committee.

Dr. Mier asked when the decision was made to move handling of parking citations to the administrative side.

Judge Vigil said it was effective two years ago in March, enacted by the City Council.

Dr. Mier asked the rationale for so doing.

Chair Rivera said it because of the financial structure of the parking structures and collections, and because it is an Enterprise Fund.

Dr. Owen-Lewis asked about the increase in DWIs.

Judge Vigil said she believes it is because there is more referral to Municipal Court.

Dr. Owen-Lewis asked about a typical sentence for a first offender.

Judge Vigil said there are mandatory sentencing guidelines with which the Courts must comply. She said for a first offender it is a \$441 Court Cost, and they are required to do a DWI screen. Through the screening, they discover whether or not there is a need for a referral, and if so, they are placed in our DWI [inaudible] Court. They also are required to go to the Victim Impact Panel, which is an opportunity for them to see the results the DWI has had on many peoples' lives. They are required to attend DWI School, as well as visit with the compliance monitor on a regular basis. Depending on the case, they do require breath alcohol sampling from time to time, which varies depending on the offense and the breath alcohol test taken at the time, whether the case went to trial, and the outcome.

Responding to Dr. Nancy Owen-Lewis, Judge Vigil said we have a compliance rate of above 70%.

[Chair Rivera's question here was inaudible]

Judge Vigil noted she is available to answer further questions or provide more information, and invited the Committee to visit Municipal Court, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. every day

# B. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF FUNDING FOR PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO REPLACEMENT. (LARRY WORSTELL, ITT INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGER)

Larry Worstell, ITT Infrastructure Manager, presented information from his Memorandum of June 12, 2018, with attachments, which is in the Committee packet. Please see this document for specifics of this presentation. Mr. Worstell said he was directed by the Finance Department to come first before Public Safety, and CIP, back to the Finance Department, and finally to the Governing Body for consideration in terms of approval and source(s) of funding.

The Committee commented and asked questions as follows:

Mr. Mizrahi said this was approved at \$2.5 million in 2015, but we never came up with the money. He asked how the Governing Body can approve this without determining how it will be funded.

Chair Rivera said that is their duty, but things change from year to year. He said last year we had a \$50 million deficit to resolve.

- Mr. Tapke said for clarification, the current system being proposed is a single site 15 channel system.
  - Mr. Worstell asked if he is speaking of an RF tower, and Mr. Tapke said yes.

Mr. Worstell said it is planned to build only one RF tower, in the process of sharing the State's base core, and all of our towers will have access to Tesuque Peak and several other towers around Santa Fe. He said that won't be a prime site, but we do have several backups, and we won't have to build a backup. He said originally, they discussed having redundancy everywhere, which we don't have right now.

- Mr. Tapke said then you are proposing a single prime site, and Mr. Worstell said yes, for which the City would be responsible.
  - Mr. Tapke asked Mr. Worstell to explain the City's PSR's core.
- Mr. Worstell said the core basically is the servers and the different mechanisms that route P25, noting P25 is digital. He said there are different value structures, but you need servers to route all the calls. He said we have *[inaudible]* systems which means that every channel has multiple local voice communication at one time. He said *[inaudible]* is digital and goes further in most cases.
- Mr. Tapke asked Mr. Worstell to expand on his remark that when this process was begun, the County talking about going to the City and requesting replacing the entire radio infrastructure by *[inaudible]*.
- Mr. Worstell said a preliminary agreement was in place before he came on board with the City, so we could go jointly to find a consultant to put together an RFP for the entire system. At the same time, we already were upgrading certain aspects for our system subscriber ratios, so they would be P25 compliant and can take both analogue and P25 costs. So this is the reason it went through the process initially. The County has a similar system, VHF. They only have one of the four towers, and most towers don't go directly back to the RECC, and it will have trunking.
  - Mr. Tapke asked the County's commitment for its side of this project.
- Mr. Worstell said the County developed an RFP for a computer-aided dispatch [CAD] system to upgrade its dispatch system. The County contributed funds for this project of only \$400,000, noting the City splits costs with the County for the RECC for all capital upgrades.
  - Mr. Tapke asked if the City was involved in the [inaudible] procurement.
  - Mr. Worstell said no.
  - Mr. Tapke said in the Fire end users there is no involvement whatsoever.
- Mr. Worstell said there was some Fire and Police involvement in the process, although he is unsure how much, noting ITT was not involved.
  - Mr. Tapke asked Mr. Worstell to explain either the current or proposed backup repeaters.
- Mr. Worstell said his concern is that the City now has only one backup if the present system were to go down.
  - Mr. Tapke asked if it is 800 MHZ or VHF channel.

- Mr. Worstell said it is an 800 MHZ with backup, but it isn't trunked. It is just one channel and it's analog, not digital. His original proposal was to build the new primary site to handle the backup system, noting they don't have the infrastructure on the backup tower, i.e. generator, shelter, and all of the repeaters needed, but they only use the repeaters for a backup system until we're ready. We can't go to P25 until we have a core and the dispatch consoles, noting they all have to work together.
  - Mr. Tapke asked Mr. Worstell to explain the State's IT core component.
- Mr. Worstell said they have a Motorola M3 core, which is redundant and the State just recently upgraded. It runs on 700 MHZ. It is housed at DoIT and they have more than they need and they are reaching out to municipalities and counties to join them. They have two radio engineers on staff for P25 training, with Motorola support. There are servers over here and firewall at the office.
  - Mr. Tapke asked what part of the State's core Mr. Worstell proposes to use.
  - Mr. Worstell said they decide what part we use.
  - Mr. Tapke asked if we are buying subscriber units, radios, etc.
- Mr. Worstell said no. The City has its own radios, so there is no change on radios, or on mobile or hand helds. The only charges listed in the proposal, are charges for software and upgrades. And the maintenance is very low compared to what it would be with an M3 core in the City. The upgrade charges are \$30,000, which means we never have to touch the core again if we stay with the State. We are paying \$30,000 annually to stay current and the State takes care of it.
- Mr. Tapke said he is unsure he understands, asking if we aren't buying subscriber units on the States.
  - Mr. Worstell said we will have access to the radio channels.
  - Mr. Tapke asked if this is the 700 MHZ radio channels.
- Mr. Worstell said yes. He said we will have access of special event channels they are trying to get through the MGA. They can turn that on at any time, and all we have to do is tune the radios to that channel.
  - Responding to Mr. Tapke, Mr. Worstell said the P25 systems if we program the radios to do that.
  - Mr. Tapke said then that is the P25 radio for the Police and Fire.
- Mr. Worstell said yes. The Police radios already are 100% P25 compliant, except for a few that have to be flashed-up. He said Fire has about 25 mobile units.

- Mr. Tapke asked if it is safe to say we are proposing the State's core on additional capacity when needed.
- Mr. Worstell said no. The City has to have a core to operate these systems, and the State provides the hardware and software licenses, and we pay a yearly fee for that. It is similar to the City's ERP process it is running right now.
  - Mr. Tapke said then you plan to use the State's core.
- Mr. Worstell said yes. He said we have the core now, because it is an analog system. So our computers all have the crime site right now. The P25 system is set up, and the computer system, which is the core and the most expensive part of the system outside the radios. We have the repeaters and transmitters which are the RS sites, and then we have dispatch. These are the 3 principle components.
- Mr. Tapke said he is still confused. He said in paragraph 2 under Replacement of City Public Radio System Mr. Worstell proposes to completely replace the City's Public Safety Radio core.
- Mr. Worstell said number one is phase 1 which is the replacement of all the components core, transmitters and dispatch.
  - Mr. Tapke asked if he is planning on purchasing a City Public Safety Radio core.
- Mr. Worstell said the City basically is paying for the software to go onto the State's hardware. He said Rio Arriba County has the same situation. He said this affords better connectivity to all of the various towers and all their channels. In an emergency, they just turn on any number of DPS channels and the City will have access to those.
  - Mr. Tapke said then Mr. Worstell is planning to replace the City's prime radio site.
  - Mr. Worstell said yes.
  - Mr. Tapke said then you will be using the City's prime radio site, plus the State's radio site.
  - Mr. Worstell said we could use it in the case of an emergency, or a maintenance situation.
  - Mr. Tapke asked what system can be used in an emergency.
- Mr. Worstell said he thinks the City should have *[inaudible]* for its own prime site, and the State then would be secondary, but the City can use it at any time.
- Mr. Tapke asked when the City uses it routinely, if there is additional capacity for an emergency and backup.

- Mr. Worstell said yes. He said our real danger right now, is the City has no redundancy for a tower and for a number of parts, repeaters and such.
  - Mr. Tapke asked Mr. Worstell if he looked at other redundancy strategies.
- Mr. Worstell said yes, but that's pretty much what the redundancy strategy is. He looked at the cost to have two towers.
  - Mr. Tapke said that would be the second prime site.
- Mr. Worstell said yes, unless we could get one tower for free. If we went to another tower we would pay roughly \$30,000 a year.
  - Mr. Tapke asked if there are any buildable sites available in the City.
- Mr. Worstell said they talked about the DPS tower which is on City land, noting the propagation studies on the tower have been a slow process. He said that is the second option.
- Mr. Tapke said it seems to him that a second prime site also could improve mobile radio coverage, building coverage and all those things.
- Mr. Worstell said they looked at that, noting the State has an advantage on the building coverage, because those two sites already are giving coverage to Santa Fe. We are looking at DPS as a secondary site. We also could use our existing prime site, although the price keeps increasing. There are options to do that. The other option would be to switch the repeaters and not run all radios off one site, and run them off a separate site which can be done. The problem with that is there is one weakness for every site in town. We can do the same thing with the State and Tesuque Peak. We would have coverage with the two towers, noting, for example SWAN Park isn't covered right now. This particular tower is 150 feet higher than our existing tower.
- Mr. Worstell said from a financial point of view, going with DolT and using its towers is much less expensive because they are free, and we don't have to put repeaters on the tower.
- Mr. Tapke asked if the Fire Department will be using those radio channels on a routine daily basis, therefore any improved coverage you may get has those channels and won't be realized by Fire on a daily basis.
- Mr. Worstell said Fire uses its channels every day, noting only certain channels are assigned to Police and Fire.
- Mr. Tapke said earlier Mr. Worstell said he wanted the City to provide the prime radio system for Police and Fire.

- Mr. Worstell said yes, the State core is in the same building, but with different primary software. But, because it's on their network they can program it in any way, shape or form they want. Their core at DoIT connects with every single tower in the entire State.
- Mr. Tapke said he understood Mr. Worstell to say on an every day basis "a self serve firefighter would not be using the State radio."
- Mr. Worstell said the core is the central computer of the entire P25 system, and the City is going to share the State's core.
- Mr. Tapke said he is speaking of a radio infrastructure. He asked, on a daily basis, will a police officer or firefighter be using the State's radio infrastructure.
  - Mr. Worstell said, "Outside of the core, not unless it's designed like that."
- Mr. Tapke said, "Therefore any advantage you might get from having access to the State's radio system, in terms of coverage, liability, those kinds of things, is not going to be realized on a day to day basis."
  - Mr. Worstell said it will be a backup unless we choose otherwise.
- Mr. Tapke, referring to the Full Replacement Recommendations, said Mr. Worstell talks about ten P25 consoles at the RECC, and asked if that is all of the dispatch positions at the RECC and asked if there are ten console positions. He asked if a representative from the RECC is in attendance, and there was.
- Mr. Tapke asked, if they are to purchase the console, what is the plan for reimbursing the City for the County's share and the other dispatch decisions.
- Mr. Worstell said that will be determined by people at a higher pay grade than himself. He said they are being purchased through the budgeting process, and how that is reimbursed is between the City and the RECC Board. The reason we are going to go ahead and buy all 10 consoles, is because it doesn't make sense, technically nor service-wise, for the RECC to use 5 old consoles and 5 new consoles which would be a 50-50. So he thinks it is more logical if we just go ahead and buy the 10 consoles and then work out the reimbursement at another point. It also is easier on the RECC.
  - Mr. Worstell said this is a good question, but he can't answer it.

Vanessa Marquez, Operations Manager, RECC, said the way the tower agreement works is the RECC dispatches for 3 entities, so \$20,000 is on the Edgewood portion, and the rest of the purchase is split 50-50 by the City and County.

Mr. Tapke asked if there is a written agreement to this effect.

- Ms. Marquez said that is through the Joint Powers Agreement with the RECC the City and the County in terms of splitting the tax proceeds.
- Mr. Tapke noted the cost estimates of the State DolT Core option versus purchase of a City core, notwithstanding the cost at the 10 year mark to replace the City's core, the City's is cheaper than the State.
- Mr. Worstell said it is about the same, and with the State, at \$700,000 off, it comes to about the same number. He said when he put the numbers together, the \$700,000 number is not for an M-3 core, it is for a M-1 core which is less expensive.
- Mr. Tapke asked, regarding the propagation studies, if engineering has been done for portable coverage.
  - Mr. Worstell said this is for standard mobile coverage.
  - Mr. Worstell said 3 different sets were done.
- Mr. Tapke asked if the engineering has been done for portable radio coverage on the new consoles.
  - Mr. Worstell said yes, for both the old and new prime sites.
  - Mr. Tapke asked if those can be provided to the Committee.
  - Mr. Worstell said yes.
  - Mr. Worstell asked, "How about the same question for in-building coverage.
- Mr. Worstell said an initial study was done on our existing tower, but he has not done a comparison on in-building.
- Mr. Tapke asked the Assistant Fire Chief how adequate is in-building radio coverage in the current system.

Assistant Chief Fire Chief Snyder said it average, not excellent, and poses an issue, and they have to work around it.

Mr. Tapke asked about mobile coverage outdoors.

Assistant Chief Snyder said it is about the same with dead spots everywhere, and this definitely will improve it.

Mr. Tapke said he wants to see [inaudible] engineering for in-building coverage and mobile coverage. He asked the Assistant Fire Chief if he has more problems receiving or transmitting.

Assistant Fire Chief Snyder said they don't have the exact data on that specific topic. He said, overall, coverage has improved, and if this proposal will provide better coverage, "we are all for it." He said he hopes we can move forward and get funds so we can accept proposals from the different companies that are out there. He said if further work is needed to come up a better proposal and options, he believes action on this proposal can be postponed, and we can move forward at a later time when all of these questions have been answered. He said these are his suggestions. He said the Committee may feel other items needed to added, and more representatives are needed by the State to be in attendance to answer these questions. He said this is just a proposal to have a redundant system and a backup plan which will provide us with better coverage, and thinks that is great. The system currently is up and running, but if it fails, we have no other plan.

Mr. Tapke said, going back to Mr. Worstell's opening remarks that it has been 17 years since you looked at replacing your *[inaudible]*. He said that is about the normal life cycle. If you are doing something only once in 15 years, issues such as redundancy strategy, improving radio coverage or employees, are very important issues for additional thought or engineering or something.

Mr. Worstell said if you have better coverage, in general you have better in-building coverage and transmission. He said there are issues here and there in getting through a spot, depending if you are on a mobile or hand held. He said Mr. Tapke is correct, that this is a big decision. The tower we have now can be out-performed very well by at least 3 other towers in the City. They also have the back-up strategy. He said if you desire more significant propagation studies for any tower in town he can get that, although it will take a few weeks.

Mr. Tapke said he would propose to the City that we at least look at the cost of a second prime site, versus other backup strategies, and what a second prime site located in the proximity of the center of the City would do to solve coverage problems in the City in-building coverage problem and such.

Dr. Mier said it is unfortunate that the County has chosen not to participate, saying there is more power with more dollars that are spending what resources we have, but "it is what it is."

- Mr. Worstell said the County has not chosen to not participate, they just chose to not put any money in this year's budget.
  - Dr. Mier said his point is they are not providing funding.
  - Mr. Worstell said bringing this forward begins the conversation in purchasing the 20 consoles.

Mr. Mizrahi asked if this will go back to the Governing Body for approval, or if the approval of the proposal for 2015 stand. If so, when will the requested funds be available.

Mr. Worstell said that is always the "golden question." He has been told that once we go from this Committee to Public Works, and we do the CIP through Finance, to Council will probably be late July at the earliest. So funds will be available, however we end up doing this process, by late August.

Mr. Joyce asked if there will be a performance spec on the RFP that the vendor guarantees that this will bring us improved coverage.

Mr. Worstell said yes. The company would base its performance on the propagation studies that are done by their tower sites. He has proposed also that we have an independent consultant to verify all the performances and installations.

Mr. Joyce said "in my past life," Motorola has had considerable background and experience in building communications. He Santa Fe wouldn't be having the problems it's having, if there was a modern system in place.

Mr. Worstell said it is also true with cellular phones to eradicate all problems, but we can approach it.

Dr. Owen-Lewis asked what can be done to avoid this situation in the future, or will this be happening again, where we wait until we are against the maximum time when we can do this.

Mr. Worstell said this is the reason he favors sharing core with the State, so we upgrade our core when the State upgrades it's core, basic hardware. He said we pay for software maintenance each year, and it is upgraded by Motorola without down time because of the way it does that. He said he can't speak to how we got here, but the process was delayed and he doesn't know the reason.

Chair Rivera asked Ms. Marguez how involved the RECC was involved in this process.

Vanessa Marquez, RECC, said this was presented to the RECC Board along with the CAD update project. She said the reason Director Martinez decided to go with the CAD update project immediately was because of funding. The County contributed \$433,000, and the City was going to look for an equal amount of funding. She understands the radio project is a \$10 million project to replace everything, and that it was going to have to be done in phases. And because it was to be done in phases, the RECC looked at the possibility of getting other funding sources to help the RECC. She understands the County refused "to go in on it." So we put those funds to the CAD update because we had those funds available. The radio project would have cost a lot more and we wouldn't have been able to do it immediately, noting the CAD implementation should be done by the end of July.

Chair Rivera asked the extent of the RECC's involvement in what we are looking at now.

Ms. Marquez said an RFP was issued for a firm to look at this, noting the firm was supposed to do a lot more than they did. She understands the consultant was terminated because they weren't meeting the RFP qualifications. She said she met with federal engineers at the beginning of the process to let them know what we needed for the RECC.

Chair Rivera asked if those have been identified for this program.

Ms. Marguez said she didn't have a chance to look through the proposal, so she doesn't know.

Chair Rivera said we talked about 10 new consoles, and asked how those will interact with the new system as proposed, and with the old systems in Edgewood.

Ms. Marquez said she can't answer this question.

Chair Rivera said since this proposal was not approved by the RECC, there is no guarantee of matching funds for Edgewood until it is approved by the RECC, or any of the other agencies which were involved.

Ms. Marquez said that is correct, and any funds for the project would have to be approved by RECC Board before this project would move forward.

Chair Rivera asked Assistant Fire Chief Snyder how much the Fire Department has been involved in this process.

Assistant Fire Chief Snyder said the Fire Department was involved, noting the focus of its interest is based on its budget and how it is to be operated and upgraded.

Chair Rivera asked if the core is upgraded, if we will have to update our portable radio systems as well as the mobile

Assistant Fire Chief Snyder said some of the Fire Department needs aren't compatible right now. The Department purchased 15 hand-held last year. [inaudible]

Chair Rivera asked if the cost includes the replacement radios.

Mr. Worstell yes, the \$2.2 million, but 25 radios are needed by Fire. They have 2 hand-helds that need to be flashed. But we can't do that until we move to P-25. He commented that "those costs have been taken care of."

Interim Police Chief Padilla said the Police have no more radios to replace.

Chair Rivera asked how the Governing Body can work with the RECC and the other agencies supported by the RECC.

Interim Police Chief Padilla said he doesn't have the answer, but it sounds like the RECC would benefit from this package. He said RECC has been monitoring and reviewing large packages over the last two years which are the high dollar items. This proposal is mostly on the City of Santa Fe and it is a plan or solution to upgrade the Police and Fire Departments and this proposal complies with that.

Chair Rivera said his concern is whether these consoles will work with the other systems and other agencies in the RECC, and we would be stuck with a system for which we have no consoles.

Mr. Worstell said the County is on VHF, and we would have direct digital with our radios and transmitters, and the County has two radio feeds from all 4 towers. So if they take those two channels in, that's what they dispatch off of, and it would be available to include P-25 consoles.

Chair Rivera asked about the coverage for the Sheriff in Edgewood.

Mr. Worstell said they run through the same system, and they all use VHF.

Chair Rivera asked if there has been much Police Department involvement in the process.

Interim Police Chief Padilla said yes, noting they need a backup system. They have had communications with the staff at the Radio Shop, and Mr. Worstell, and there are many options. However, he believes we need to first identify the funding, issue an RFP, for the RFP's to come back, and then see what company would be most viable – for the redundancy, the backup system. He said these conversations have been held over the last few months.

Chair Rivera said then to Chief Padilla's knowledge, the RECC Board hasn't approved anything, but has had discussions about all of this.

Interim Police Chief Padilla said this has been brought up with them, but the RECC focused primarily on the Orator proposal that Mr. Martinez has been working on, which is a high dollar item.

Chair Rivera said because we all are using the same dispatch center, he is concerned that this should be something that all agencies and entities are pushing and are behind, and that's not happening here.

Mr. Worstell said the County wants and needs new consoles. These consoles will work with a VHS system, regular analog VHS to work with VHF system. There will be some technical details to work-out. The process in the past two years was that the Police had two officers that regularly attended, along with people from Emergency Management and Paul Babcock and someone else from Fire. The process has been discussed and thought-out for two years.

Mr. Worstell said this is information for our infrastructure, and we want to move on this as quickly as possible, because we have a finite period to do this. The County needs to be brought in as soon as we decide exactly how we will move forward, but we have to put in consoles and we have to have two towers

or the *[inaudible]* Site and we have to have a core. We're pretty well set-up with radios and we don't have to do much with that. However, when we get to the non-public safety there is a significant amount of radio that needs to be upgraded.

Chair Rivera said this may not be the route they want to take.

Mr. Worstell said we can put the consoles out for bid and deal with the County, as we did with them on the original RFP for the entire City.

Chair Rivera asked if this is for the County Sheriff and County Fire as well, or have there been discussions about that.

Mr. Worstell said they have been in every discussion at every meeting of the Public Safety Radio Committee. He said he thinks there is an Agreement we have to move forward quickly. He took the initiative because at one point the funds were in CIP, but was not funded for various reasons.

Responding to the Chair, Mr. Worstell said we have to do all systems together for the future, noting P25 won't work with the present consoles. He said it is a point that needs to be rectified, and we do need to sit and talk it out and go through the process, but the overall strategy is we have to have a core, a repeater site, and P25 consoles.

Chair Rivera asked if the Radio Shop here been involved.

Mr. Worstell said yes.

Chair Rivera said the first time he's seen something like this headed up by IT. In the past, it has been headed by either RECC or one of the public safety entities, commenting it is a different approach than he's seen in the past although that doesn't make it wrong. He thinks there still are a lot of questions that need to be answered.

Chair Rivera said he would like a letter of support from all of the entities saying they are in favor of this proposal, or whatever their position might be, just so we are clear moving forward so as to avoid problems in the future with the RECC Board.

Dr. Mier said he shares the Chair's concern. He there are legitimate concerns when other agencies are not signed on. We said we are in a situation where we are having to do something because we have a mess, and if we don't do something, this could come back to bite us. He has difficulty with these kinds of situations.

Mr. Tapke said he would request, when this comes back at a future Committee meeting, that the IT Department would look at other strategies for cost and end user efficacy and engineering of different strategies for this. At the top of that list would be a second prime site, which would cover the redundancy questions, coverage communications with the Fire. He said, "I think it's worth looking at. That strategy

would allow the reduction of other costs of a stand alone backup repeater system which would be unnecessary if you had a second prime site. So there's savings."

Mr. Joyce said it is obvious we need to do something for the Santa Fe portion of this, and we have questions as to whether the County and the RECC are going to join us. He thinks we can be moving forward, but he thinks there should be subsequent meetings where we get all of the questions answered. If the second prime site assures that we have the public radio system we need, he thinks "that should be a primary concern."

Responding to the Chair, Mr. Worstell said he will do an informational presentation at Public Works next week, then to City Finance and then to the Governing Body in late July or early August.

Chair Rivera asked Mr. Worstell to return to the Public Safety Committee at its next meeting with the answers to the questions that have been asked today, and asked if that is sufficient time to do that.

Mr. Worstell said he will return with answers to questions at the next meeting. In meantime the will have a meeting with the RECC.

**MOTION:** Dr. Mier moved, seconded by Stephen Tapke, to postpone this item to the next meeting of the Committee on July 19, 2018.

**VOTE:** The motion was approved unanimously on a voice vote.

# 6. MATTERS FROM INTERIM POLICE CHIEF ANDREW PADILLA

Deputy Chief Padilla noted his report in the packet on crime data and the mapping for the month of May. He said there are 15 police officer vacancies, 2 public safety aide vacancies, and 1 records position vacancy. They are recruiting actively at the website to attract applicants. He said the City will be attending a job fair, and moving forward to track applicants through Real Time Solutions an interactive process which leads to the testing at the Police Department. He said there are 7 cadets in pre-assessment on Friday at the Law Enforcement Academy at 9:00 a.m., to see if they pass the entry level physical standard. If they pass, they will attend the Police Academy, beginning July 8, 2018.

Chair Rivera thanked the Police Department for its help with SWAN Park.

Interim Police Chief Padilla talked about the work at SWAN Park, saying they eventually replace the bollards on the property.

Interim Police Chief Padilla said we have had ups and downs, but we are working with the Neighborhood Associations who use the ATV's/UTVs and are riding those in the general area. He said with that information, through our Community Relations Officers we can go to those locations, and give information packets on violations for those operating ATV/UTV vehicles on City property or private

property. He said they are doing close patrols of the area and will continue to do so. He said we have had the assistance of Game and Fish in enforcement. He said there will be future meetings with Tierra Contenta, and Mr. Joyce will be attending providing information for the future, and ideas for funding to put in the barriers to keep the ATV/UTV operators out of the area.

Mr. Joyce thanked the Chief and the Police Department for making these individuals available to them, because they learned a lot about people driving on City property and back again. He said they are now "down to about 20% now, and all of that is coming from the County side of 599. He said they are setting up meetings with Tierra Contenta Corp, and hopefully with the County and the DOT to see if we can close-off the access for coming across from underneath the highway. He thanked the Department on behalf of his neighbors, because "we actually had a holiday where you could have a beer and enjoy it."

# 7. MATTERS FROM ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF JAN SNYDER

Assistant Fire Chief Snyder said there are two large fires in Northern New Mexico. The Fire Department had multiple crews out on RFP at the beginning of the year. It started in Arizona, and we had 20 people and equipment deployed there for a few days, and they have all come home. He went out to the San Antonio Fire the next day which is small but not contained.

Assistant Fire Chief Snyder said the Agreement between the City and the Firefighters Association was ratified, was at Finance on Monday and it is moving toward the Governing Body for its approval, noting it is a year behind. They will start on next year's agreement, which should be wrapped-up and to this Committee as well. He said the Fire Marshal's Office is looking at staffing for the additional/special events and should have that wrapped-up soon.

Assistant Fire Chief Snyder said there are 15-16 vacancies, with 10 new positions in the new budget year, noting there are 6-7 retirees and promotional positions. He said there probably will be a Fire Academy in Spring 2019. He said filling a lot of the vacant positions hinge around the fire addition, although we haven't broken ground, and will be pushing the Academy off, about 1½ years, so everyone is ready when the Station is built and ready to go.

# 8. MATTERS FROM THE REGIONAL EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER. (KEN MARTINEZ)

Vanessa Marquez, Operations Manager, RECC, said Ken Martinez, Director, is out of town. She said in May, they had a total of 33,419 calls for service handled by the RECC. Of those calls, the City Police had 9,645, Fire Department 1,404, and Animal Control Division 443, for a total of 11,492 calls which is 55% of the call volume that was handled by the RECC.

Ms. Marquez said at the previous meeting the RECC was asked for information on the Drug Tip Hotline. This month we received 30 calls, for a total for the year of 231 year-to-date on the Drug Tip Hotline. She said they still are receiving about 30 calls a month on the Drug Tip Hotline.

Ms. Marquez said Mr. Martinez asked her to give an update on the CAD system. She said the work *[inaudible]* and the funding for our updated CAD system, which is about 23 years old, is in place. They are looking at installation of the hardware by the end of July 2018 and full implementation and training by December 2018.

Chair Rivera said according to the figures provided by Ms. Marquez, his calculation is that the City didn't get 50% of the total calls.

Ms. Marquez said the calls for service totaled 19,932, so the total incoming and outgoing calls for the RECC was 33,419, and apologized by not making that clear.

#### 9. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

There were no communications from the floor.

# 10. MATTERS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Dr. Mier said all of the streetlights are out on the corridor first coming in from Espanola, and he is unsure of the reason, and asked the reason.

Chair Rivera said he will email the Public Works Director and get an answer.

Mr. Joyce said there was an incident with water leaks in developing the arroyo. He said there were several lengthy violations of anything "that looks like an OSHA requirement for *[inaudible]*." He said that was resolved. He asked the workers if they were familiar with the OSHA violations and they told him no. He asked if they have been trained on OSHA and they said no. He hopes this isn't the case, because in the private sector you can't go on the job without OSHA certifications. He believes all public employees should be trained and certified.

Chair Rivera asked if we do annual OSHA training for all City Departments.

Assistant Fire Chief Snyder said he believes Ms. Boltrek in Risk Management does that training.

Chair Rivera said he is unsure if it is done annually, but he will verify that with Risk Management.

Mr. Joyce said those are on-line courses for the most part. He is unsure of the split between P OSHA and general regulations.

Chair Rivera said he will speak with Ms. Boltrek and try to get an answer.

Mr. Joyce said our people should not be leaving situations like that where the public can be hurt or hurt themselves.

Chair Rivera said, at the next meeting, there will be a follow up on Dr. Mier's request with regard to Traffic Calming, to be able to address those, so we can deal with the safety issues. He said it will require a change to the Ordinance.

# ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business to come before the Committee, and the Committee having completed its agenda, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:45 p.m.

Christopher M. Rivera, Chair

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