



**Board of Commissioners**  
**Resolution**  
B2024-183

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**Sponsor:** Emergency Communications

**Meeting Date:** 9/24/2024

**Title:** Emergency Communications Pointe Building Allied Radio Matrix for Emergency Response Radio Site Lightning Strike Equipment Replacement

**File Number:** 2024-406

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**Background and Rationale:**

Request for replacement of critical Allied Radio Matrix for Emergency Response (ARMER) radio site components that were recently damaged by a lightning strike at the Pointe Building ARMER radio site.

Multiple key components for the radio tower located at Pointe Building were all damaged. Emergency Communication Center (ECC) Techs have been able to make adjustments to keep the site online but would like to expedite getting these items replaced as soon as possible to ensure this mission critical radio site remains operational. Repairing the site is a best practice that has changed since the site was built to ensure maximum resiliency of the radio site.

**Recommendation:**

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners resolved to:

1. Approve the use of \$60,000 from the Emergency Communications Center Radio Fund Balance to replace lightning strike damaged equipment at the Pointe Building Allied Radio Matrix for Emergency Response Radio site.
2. Authorize the County Manager to establish an Emergency Communications Pointe Building Lightning Strike Equipment Replacement project account.
3. Authorize the County Manager to enter into agreements and execute amendments to the agreement in accordance with the county's procurement policies and procedures, provide the amounts are within the limits of available funding.

A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Ortega.  
Motion passed.

Aye: - 5: Frethem, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

Absent: - 1: McGuire

By:   
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Mee Cheng, Chief Clerk - County Board