

Request for Board Action Details

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Sponsor: Emergency Communications

Title

Ramsey County Emergency Communications Center Security Camera System Replacement.

Recommendation

1. Approve the use of the Emergency Communications Center Equipment Fund Balance to replace the security camera system at the Emergency Communications Center at the cost of \$90,000.
2. Authorize the County Manager to establish Emergency Communications Security Camera System Replacement Project and transfer \$90,000 from the Emergency Communications Center Equipment Fund Balance to this project.

Background and Rationale

Emergency Communications department requests the usage of the Emergency Communications Center Equipment Fund balance to replace the security camera system and hardware for the Emergency Communications Center facility. The existing security camera system is the original Avigilon security system that was installed when the building was constructed in 2005. Several of the security system's critical functions are failing and pose a high security risk for the facility.

The server for the current system is outdated and is unable to be upgraded to meet the standards established by Ramsey County's Information Security department. The current cameras use analog technology which results in poor resolution and several of the cameras are failing due to their age. These failures have caused blind spots around the building which affects situational awareness and security for the Emergency Communications department. The new security system will fix these issues by replacing the server and all the cameras with new digital ones. The new security system will also include additional sensors and cameras to eliminate the blind spots. The Emergency Communications department anticipate the new security system install will be completed by December 31, 2021 pending product availability.

County Goals (Check those advanced by Action)☒ Well-being☐ Prosperity☐ Opportunity☒ Accountability

Racial Equity Impact

There is no direct racial equity impact linked with this project. The security camera system replacement will protect the Emergency Communications staff which maintain 24 hours operations 365 days year. The system will also enhance the county's capabilities to respond to the public and provide additional protection for those who visit the campus.

Community Participation Level and Impact

This action is to inform the community of an update to the emergency communications system.

☒ Inform ☐ Consult ☐ Involve ☐ Collaborate ☐ Empower

Fiscal Impact

The Emergency Communications Center Equipment Fund Balance was established to cover the cost of future replacement and upgrades to technology systems that support the Emergency Communications department. The current fund balance as of October 1, 2021 is \$4,937,522 which is sufficient and will fully cover the cost of \$90,000 for this project.

County Manager Comments

No additional comments.

Last Previous Action

None.

Attachments

1. None.