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**TO:**  
E911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee

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**SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget Augmentation.**

A review, discussion and possible action to recommend that the Washoe County Board of County Commissioners approve the augmentation of the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee budget to allow additional expenditures not to exceed [\$300,000], utilizing the 911 Fund reserve to cover additional expenditures; individual expenses utilizing the 911 fund reserve shall be reviewed by the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee.

**SUMMARY:**

Recommendation that the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee approve and recommend that the Washoe County Board of County Commissioners approve the augmentation of the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee budget to allow additional expenditures not to exceed [\$300,000], utilizing the 911 Fund reserve to cover additional expenditures; any expenses utilizing the 911 reserve fund shall be reviewed individually by the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee.

Budget augmentation is necessary because the 911 reserve fund is not spendable as defined by the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 budget. Augmentation will make a portion of the 911 reserve fund spendable and allow reimbursement of the City of Reno, the City of Sparks, and Washoe County for their expenses related to the Portable Event Recording device mandate as defined by NRS 289.830.

**PREVIOUS ACTION:**

On January 31, 2017 the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee approved the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 budget.

On October 10, 2017 the Board of County Commissioners adopted an ordinance amending Chapter 65 of the Washoe County Code (“WCC”) by expanding the permissible use of the 911 telephone line surcharge to include the purchase and maintenance of portable and vehicular event recording devices, and all other matters properly relating thereto.

On January 16, 2018, the Board of County Commissioners adopted the Washoe County Board of County Commissioners’ Policy on the Use of 911 Surcharge Funds for the Body Camera Mandate Set Forth in Nevada Senate Bill 176 (2017).

On January 18, 2018, the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee approved and recommended that the Board of County Commissioners accept the 911 Five Year Master Plan update with modifications.

On February 20, 2018 the Board of County Commissioners adopted the Washoe County Regional 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee Five Year Master Plan Update, prepared by the Galena Group Incorporated, as recommended by the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee (“911 Committee”) on January 18, 2018; and approved the 911 Committee’s recommendation to increase the 911 telephone line surcharge to \$0.85 per month for each customer access line to the local exchange of a telecommunications provider; \$0.85 per month for each telephone number assigned a customer by a supplier of mobile telephone service; and \$8.50 per month for each customer trunk line to the local exchange of a telecommunications provider.

### **BACKGROUND**

During the 2017 State of Nevada Legislative session, Senate Bill 176 (NV SB 176) was passed, amending Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 289.830 to require uniformed peace officers who routinely interact with the public to wear portable event recording devices (body-worn cameras) while on duty. The City of Reno, the City of Sparks, and Washoe County have subsequently initiated portable event recording device programs within each of their respective law enforcement organizations. The portable event recording device programs must be in place and operational no later than July 1, 2018. With NV SB 176, the 2017 Legislature also amended NRS 244A.7643 to allow for the use of 911 telephone line surcharge revenues for the purpose of paying the costs associated with the acquisition and maintenance of portable event recording devices and vehicular event recording devices.

The Fiscal Year 2017-2018 budget was approved prior to the passage of Senate Bill 176. While funds exist in the 911 fund to cover for initial reimbursements to the respective agencies, these reimbursements were not included in the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 budget. Therefore, a budget augmentation is required to allow these additional expenditures from the 911 fund.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The budget augmentation will allow for additional expenditures not to exceed [\$300,000] in Fiscal Year 2017-2018. Funds exist in the restricted Fund Group 208 to cover additional expenditures. Any expenses incurred because of this budget augmentation shall be reviewed individually by the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Approve and recommend that the Washoe County Board of County Commissioners approve the augmentation of the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee budget to allow additional expenditures not to exceed [\$300,000], utilizing the 911 Fund reserve to cover additional expenditures; individual expenses utilizing the 911 reserve fund shall be reviewed by the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee.

### **POSSIBLE MOTION**

Should the Committee agree with staff’s recommendation a possible motion would be:  
“Approve and recommend that the Washoe County Board of County Commissioners approve the augmentation of the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee budget to allow additional expenditures not to exceed [\$300,000], utilizing the 911 Fund reserve to cover additional expenditures; individual expenses utilizing the 911 reserve fund shall be reviewed by the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee.”