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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR 2 ADDITIONAL BODY WORN CAMERAS AND 4 ADDITIONAL FLEET CAMERA SYSTEMS, NOT TO EXCEED \$9,923.00 [For possible action] – A review, discussion and possible action to approve reimbursement to the City of Sparks for additional BWC and Fleet camera costs, not to exceed \$9,923.00. Total request not to exceed \$9,923.00.

SUMMARY

The 79th Nevada Legislature passed Senate Bill 176 (SB 176), which requires uniformed peace officers employed by a law enforcement agency and who routinely interact with the public to wear a body worn camera device effective July 1, 2018. SB 176 expanded the permissible use of the county's 911 telephone line surcharge fund to include the purchase and maintenance of body worn cameras.

Sparks Police was allotted four new patrol vehicles in the FY19/20 City of Sparks budget. This requires the addition of four new vehicle mounted video systems and associated licenses for these patrol vehicles to meet the fleet allowances under state law due to increases in staffing. The four additional cameras with licenses have a 1st year cost of \$7,788.00; future annual costs will be added to the overall City of Sparks BWC renewal with Axon.

The City of Sparks through the Sparks Police Department continues to operate the Body Worn Camera (BWC) system and is requesting the Washoe County 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee approve reimbursement to the City of Sparks for 2 additional body worn cameras utilized for SWAT operators. New positions were added to the SWAT team and due to equipment utilized by the SWAT team, it requires the use of the Flex 2 BWC system. The cost for the two (2) additional Flex 2 cameras with licenses have a 1st year cost of \$2,135.00; future annual costs will be added to the overall City of Sparks BWC renewal with Axon.

NRS APPLICABLE:

NRS 244.7643 and NRS 244A.7645 Provides approval of costs associated to use of the county's 911 telephone line surcharge fund to purchase and maintain body worn and fleet cameras.

STAKEHOLDER REVIEW(s)

Stakeholders are the City of Sparks, Sparks Police Department and Sparks Municipal Court Marshals.

PREVIOUS ACTION & BACKGROUND

On January 16, 2018, the BCC adopted the policy of the Use of 911 Surcharge Funds for the Body Camera Mandate set forth in Nevada Senate Bill 176.

On January 18, 2018, the Washoe County 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee adopted the Five Year Master Plan Update, prepared by the Galena Group Incorporated.

On February 20, 2018, the BCC 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.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Enhanced 911 Fund is a special revenue fund which receives revenue pursuant to NRS 244A.7643 in the form of telephone surcharges collected to support the emergency reporting system and the funding of body worn and fleet cameras for uniformed peace officers employed by a law enforcement agency who routinely interact with the public. Budget authority exists within the E911 Fund to reimburse the City of Sparks for the expense.

The City of Sparks has paid for and received equipment and services identified in this report and is requesting the Washoe County 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee approve reimbursement to the agency up to \$9,923.00 for the additional BWC and Fleet camera costs.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the E911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee approve the request for reimbursement to the City of Sparks up to \$9,923.00 for the additional BWC and Fleet camera costs.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Move to approve the recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners to approve reimbursement to the City of Sparks up to \$9,923.00 for the additional BWC and Fleet camera costs.