



REPORT TO COUNCIL

City of Sacramento

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Consent
November 18, 2008

Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

Title: Agreements with Various Cities and Agencies in Yolo County for Use of the Reverse 911 Emergency Telephone Notification System

Location/Council District: Citywide

Recommendation: Adopt a **Resolution 1)** authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, on behalf of the City of Sacramento, to enter into memorandums of understanding that would allow the following cities and agencies in Yolo County to access and use the City's Reverse 911 Emergency Telephone Notification System; City of Davis, City of Woodland, Yolo County Office of Emergency Services, and Yolo County Emergency Communication Agency.

Contact: Jacquelyn Dowden, Captain , 277-1750

Presenters: Not applicable

Department: Police

Division: Communication

Department ID: 11001321

Description/Analysis

Issue: The Reverse 911 (R911) system is part of homeland security preparedness. The R911 system allows public safety agencies to contact citizens in the event of an emergency. The regional Reverse 911 group banded together to share annual funds from the federal Homeland Security Department. The Sacramento Police Department has taken the lead in the region for the system. In 2005, the Sacramento City Council approved the grant monies. The regional group recently requested that City Council grant access and authorization of the Reverse 911 System to neighboring Yolo County agencies to include the City of Davis, City of Woodland, the Yolo County Office of Emergency Services, and Yolo County Emergency Communication Agency. These agencies will sign Memorandums of Understanding for use of the Reverse 911 Emergency Telephone Notification System.

Policy Considerations: By granting access to the listed agencies the City will enhance its mission to maintain and establish partnerships within the region. The purpose of the MOU and acceptance of this recommendation will establish

mutually agreeable guidelines for the use of the Reverse 911 system.

Environmental Considerations:

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA): This proposal does not constitute a "project" and is therefore exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act according to CEQA Guidelines section 15061 (b) (3) and 15378 (b) (2).

Sustainability Considerations: None

Financial Considerations: The Sacramento Police Department, Office of Homeland Security purchased the Reverse 911 Emergency Telephone Notification System through state and federal homeland security grant funding. The system is being offered to the listed participating agencies at no cost and includes three years of support and mass calling capabilities through November 2011. There is no impact to the General Fund. The initial cost of establishing the Reverse 911 system was approved by Council in May 2005 (Reso No. 2005-308).

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD): Not Applicable

Respectfully Submitted by: 
Jacquelyn Dowden, Captain

Approved by: 
Rick Braziel, Chief of Police

Recommendation Approved:



Ray Kerridge
City Manager

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Attachment 1

Background

The Sacramento Police Department, Office of Homeland Security purchased the Reverse 911 Emergency Telephone Notification System through state and federal homeland security grant funding in May 2005. The regional purchase of this emergency telephone notification system (ETNS) offers tremendous life saving and community awareness potential. Granting access to Yolo County agencies will further the concept of regionalization as well as improve cost efficiencies and cooperation between neighboring public safety entities.

RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

AGREEMENTS WITH VARIOUS CITIES AND AGENCIES IN YOLO COUNTY FOR USE OF THE REVERSE 911 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

BACKGROUND

- A. The Reverse 911 (R911) Emergency Telephone Notification System was established in May 2005.
- B. In partnership with the regional R911 users, several Yolo County agencies are asking to join the R911 group as a means of providing better service to the residents in Yolo County. These entities are the City of Davis, City of Woodland, Yolo County Office of Emergency Services and Yolo County Emergency Communications Agency.

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. The City Manager, or his designee, on behalf of the City of Sacramento, is hereby authorized to enter into Memorandums of Understanding which would allow the following entities to access and use the City's Reverse 911 Emergency Telephone Notification System: City of Davis, City of Woodland, Yolo County Office of Emergency Services and Yolo County Emergency Communication Agency.

Attachment 3