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To: Municipal Managers

Subject: Update on Activities of Broward County's Regional Communications System

Dear Colleagues:

This letter serves as an update regarding the County's Regional Communication System activities.

Regional Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) System (Estimated Cost \$5,281,000 includes additional training)

On March 28, 2017, the new Motorola PremierOne CAD successfully went live. This \$5.3M project successfully brought together select members from the Police and Fire Chiefs' Associations, Communications Union, BSO, and County to provide the subject matter expertise and operational knowledge to this far-reaching implementation. Continued updates are being made based on end user feedback.

Public Safety Radio System (Estimated Cost up to \$59,500,000)

On May 23, 2017, the Board of County Commissioner approved an agreement between Broward County and Motorola Solutions, Inc. for the replacement of the County's existing public safety radio system with a new 700MHz Association of Public Safety Communications Officials (APCO) Project 25 Phase II system.

County staff continues to work with three municipalities: Hollywood, Tamarac and Parkland, regarding the final tower sites necessary to build out the system.

Communications Tower Maintenance (Estimated Cost \$2,960,000)

On May 23, 2017, the Board of County Commissioners approved a multi-year agreement with Kirms Communications LLC to provide repairs, equipment installation, and maintenance services for Broward County radio towers. Kirms is a licensed State of Florida Tower Specialty Contractor with over 10 years of radio tower work experience. This agreement is in place to ensure continuous optimal functioning of the towers and shelters for the duration of the Agreement.

Purchase of Digital Radio Test Sets (Estimated Cost \$1,206,000)

On May 23, 2017, the Board of County Commissioners approved the award of a contract with Integrated Procurement Technologies for Digital Radio Test Sets. The Digital Radio Test Sets will provide the Office of Regional Communications and Technology radio shop technicians with the tool to perform testing, repairs, and performance maintenance of all Broward County radio systems and wireless communication devices (mobiles and portables). The test sets will replace currently used spectrum analyzers that are no longer supported. In addition to being capable of maintaining the existing analog

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radios, these Analyzers will be able to auto-tune (per manufacturer specifications), both Motorola Solutions, Inc. (MSI) P25 radios as well the MotoTRBO radios (for the Local Government Radio System) to meet future support needs.

More information can also be viewed at the following website:

<http://www.broward.org/CommunicationsTechnology/Pages/ProgramUpdates.aspx>.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Brett Bayag, Acting Director, Office of Regional Communications and Technology at bbayag@broward.org or Alphonso Jefferson at ajefferon@broward.org.

Sincerely,



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