

Ordinance No. 114-2020

**Council Members Zone and Kelley
(by departmental request)**

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE

Authorizing the Director of Public Safety to enter into an agreement with Cuyahoga County to accept funds from the County to support the City's responsibility for answering cellular 9-1-1 calls originating in the City of Cleveland, a responsibility formerly held by the County, for a period of five years, with one five-year option to renew exercisable by the Director of Public Safety; authorizing the City to accept funds from the County to support the City's increased responsibility; and authorizing other agreements with various wireless providers.

WHEREAS, under Ordinance No. 298-14, passed April 21, 2014, as amended by Ordinance No. 1621-14, passed December 8, 2014, this Council approved the transfer of responsibility of answering cellular 9-1-1 calls originating in Cleveland from Cuyahoga County's Cuyahoga Emergency Communications System ("CECOMS") to the City of Cleveland's Public Safety Answering Point ("PSAP") and to provide funding to City to handle these calls; and

WHEREAS, the funding provided by the County to the City is contingent on the continued funding from the State of Ohio Wireless Government Assistance Fund to Cuyahoga County;

WHEREAS, the City and Cuyahoga County wish to continue this arrangement; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance constitutes an emergency measure providing for the usual daily operation of a municipal department; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEVELAND:

Section 1. That the Director of Public Safety is authorized to enter into an agreement with Cuyahoga County to accept funding from Cuyahoga County to support the City's responsibilities for answering 9-1-1 cellular calls originating in the City of Cleveland, and the agreement may be for a maximum period of five years, with one five-year option to renew, exercisable by the Director of Public Safety.

Section 2. That the amounts paid by the County to the City under the agreement are contingent on and may vary depending on the amount of funding the County receives from the State of Ohio Wireless Government Assistance Fund.

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Section 3. That funds received from the County shall be deposited into a fund approved by the Director of Finance.

Section 4. That the Director of Public Safety is authorized to enter into one or more agreements with various cellular providers to implement this ordinance (the “Provider Agreements”). The Provider Agreements shall run independently of the funding agreement and may, as determined appropriate by the Director of Public Safety, exceed the term of the funding agreement and continue even if the funding agreement is terminated early under the terms of the funding agreement.

Section 5. That the agreements authorized in this ordinance shall be prepared by the Director of Law.

Section 6. That this ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and, provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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1-27-20

FOR: Director McGrath

