



City of Cleveland Memorandum

Frank G. Jackson, Mayor

TO: Matthew Zone, Chair
Safety Committee

FROM: Michael McGrath, Director
Department of Public Safety

DATE: January 29, 2020

SUBJECT: Ordinance No. TBD-2020, 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

Under the authority of Ord. No. 298-14, as amended by Ord. No. 1621-14, the City and the County entered into an agreement to transfer the responsibility of directly answering 9-1-1 cellular calls made within the City of Cleveland from the County's CECOMS to the City of Cleveland Department of Public Safety's PSAP. Under this agreement, the City received up to \$600,000.00 annually from the County to support the City's increased responsibilities following the transfer.

This Ordinance, if passed by City Council, will authorize the City to enter into an agreement to accept funding from Cuyahoga County to support the City's responsibility for answering cellular 9-1-1 calls originating in the City of Cleveland. This agreement would be for a period of five years, with one five-year option to renew, exercisable by the Director of Public Safety. Under this agreement, the County would provide funding to support the City's increased responsibility in the amount of \$600,000 annually, not to exceed \$3,000,000 over the initial five year term.

This legislation also authorizes the Director of Public Safety to enter into one or more agreements with the various wireless providers to route cellular 9-1-1 calls to the City's PSAP.

This legislation is important because it will continue the current relationship with Cuyahoga County that has resulted in a coordinated effort in responding to emergency calls and providing necessary services to the citizens of the City.