

911 Coordinating Council
Special Meeting
July 23, 2013

Council Members Participating: Jay Coverdale, Senator Marci Francisco, Dick Heitschmidt, Chris Kelly, Kim Pennington, Jimmy Reed, Phill Ryan, Chris Stratmann, Walt Way, and Ivan Weichert. Melissa Wangemann, Scott Ekberg and Randall White provided support to the Council members.

Walt Way called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. He explained that the Technical Committee has been working on an RFP and due to its time-sensitivity – local budgets are due in August – the committee wants to discuss it prior to the next 911 Coordinating Council meeting in order to have sufficient time to receive and evaluate vendor responses as well as to perform the NG911 design and specification work necessary for PSAPs to use for the 2014 budget and grant cycles.

Chris Kelly explained that this RFP is probably the first of about three that will emerge. This RFP is for design services for a statewide 911 system. It will specify the necessary hardware but will not include procurement of actual hardware. The second RFP will be about hardware with a third RFP about implementation of NG911 equipment and services.

Chris wants it posted at the state procurement office within a week of this conference call. He is hoping that the Council can review the responses at its September meeting.

Jay Coverdale explained the key elements of the RFP and noted that the RFP starts with section 2. He noted that each of the covered items in the RFPs would need to be interoperable so that the whole state NG911 system can be implemented. He thought the first RFP would create about four months' work. He discussed the questions and comments received from the Council and answered those questions. Jay Coverdale, Ivan Weichert and Walt Way discussed the issue of out-of-state PSAPs and how they coordinate with Kansas PSAPs. Jay Coverdale commented about a reference to "resources" and whether that would include military facilities with the thought that it could if they are included in the design. Pat Collins had submitted a question via e-mail related to the training plan and Jay Coverdale said training may be required prior to the next grant cycle so that the PSAPs are educated on this RFP item, and that training should probably be requested as part of any grant request. Chris Kelly noted a prior comment received from Jimmy Reed regarding a typographical error which has been corrected.

With that discussion ended, Walt Way opened the discussion up for questions. Ivan Weichert had questions about the deliverables and he asked, [What is the difference, if any, about the

“project implementation plan” and “implementation plan.”] Randall White said they are one in the same and should be phrased consistently, and that change will be made.

Dick Heitschmidt moved to approve the RFP with modifications described in the meeting. Jimmy Reed seconded the motion.

Walt Way called on the voting members to vote: Chris Kelly - Y, Dick Heitschmidt– Y, Chris Stratman – Y, Jimmy Reed – Y, Marci Francisco – Y, Kim Pennington - Y. Phill Ryan, Ivan Weichert and Jay Coverdale expressed their support for issuance of the RFP.

Jay Coverdale explained the next steps in the procurement process. Chris Kelly said the Technical Committee will be meeting every other week to work through the RFP with the vendors.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:36 a.m.