

Memorandum

City of Lawrence

Fire Medical

TO: David Corliss, City Manager

FROM: Mark Bradford, Chief

CC: Diane Stoddard, Asst. City Manager
Cynthia Wagner, Asst. City Manager

Date: September 4, 2013

RE: Purchase Request for Six (6) Mobile Data Units

Background:

As part of our 2013 Capital Improvement Program we requested and received approval for the purchase of three Mobile Data Units in the amount of \$33,134. These mobile data units will be used in the three new fire apparatus as part of our mobile data program.

Current Status:

This is a continuation of our mobile data implementation which allows members to receive dispatch information, hazardous material information and mapping in the vehicles during response. Our current Mobile Data Computers are in excess of 10 years old and we are having difficulty keeping them running. We requested Capital Improvement Funds for FY 2015 in the amount of \$208,000 to replace all MDC's. Our MDC's are in the same condition and age as the units recently replaced by the police department. At this point this has not made the current project list. It is imperative that we continue to replace units on an annual basis just to maintain this service in primary staffed apparatus.

Recommendation:

We recommend the utilization of Kansas State Contract # 28440 to purchase the mobile data units.

We are requesting permission from the City Commission to authorize the purchase by sole source (utilizing Kansas State Contract #28440) to purchase six (6) Motorola MDC Model MW810 and accessories from Motorola in the amount of \$33,134.00.