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Police and Fire Department Radios



Presentation Overview

- Why do we need to replace radios?
- How many do we need and what will they cost?
- How will we pay for them?



Why do we need new radios?

- Current police and fire radios are no longer being produced
- Police radio field service will end in 2018
- Fire radio field service will end in 2019
- Many Mecklenburg County agencies are in the process of replacing radios to UASI standard



How much will replacing radios cost?

- Police Department requires 22 radios
- Fire Department requires 22 radios
- We are being offered a discount of 25% off the NC State contract price
- Final total cost \$192K
 - Discount is over \$81K



How will we pay for them?

- Original plan (in CIP) was to phase in the purchase radios over a few years
- FY 2019 cost projected at \$58,500 and \$26,500 thereafter, until all radios were replaced
- By financing the radios now, we expect the annual debt service to be under \$30K per year, starting in FY 2019
- No required budget amendment; debt service will be incorporated in FY 2019 budget
- Will issue RFP for financing and bring proposed financing to the board for approval on October 10, 2017



Questions and Board considers approval of purchase and issuance of financing RFP.

