COUNTY AGENDA REQUEST

Department:	Fire and Emergency Services	Presenter(s):	M. Allen McCullough
Meeting Date:	Thursday, March 8, 2012	Type of Request:	Consent

Wording for the Agenda:

Approval of staff's request for authorization for $2,085 for a Radio Transfer Unit (RTU) to repair the Weather Warning Siren System in Landmark Mobile Home Community and $4,755 to repair the site on Ellis Road.

Background/History/Details:

In 2001 weather warning sirens were placed in Landmark Mobile Home Community and on Ellis Road at the County 's Water Tank. Both units have had radio failure.

Landmark Mobile Home Community:
Subsequent to the radio failure at Landmark, the service company has determined that the Radio Transfer Unit (RTU) is inoperable and not repairable. The RTU is the device that transfers the radio signal to activate the siren. Due to the radio problem ,the RTU problem could not be diagnosed. The RTU to complete the Landmark repair is $2,085.

Ellis Road:
The Board of Commissioners approved a new radio for the Ellis Road site on November 10, 2011 in the amount of $3,325. Due to the age of the RTU and changes in technology at this site the new radio will not communicate and activate the siren. Staff's recommendation is to cancel the order for the single radio and request authorization to purchase the radio and RTU as a package in the amount of $4,755. Purchasing the RTU and the Radio separately would cost $5,410 ($2,085+$3,325). Purchasing as a package costs $4,755 or $655 less.

What action are you seeking from the Board of Commissioners?

Authorize the purchase of one (1) RTU for Landmark in the amount of $2,085.00 and one (1) Radio /RTU package in the amount of $4,755 for a total of $6,840 and approve additional funding of $3,515 from the General Fund unassigned balance ($6,840 total costs - $3,325 previously approved = $3,515 additional funding needed).

If this item requires funding, please describe:

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Has this request been considered within the past two years?	Yes	If so, when?	November 10, 2011
Is Audio-Visual Equipment Required for this Request?*	No	Backup Provided with Request?	

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Approved by Finance	Yes	Reviewed by Legal	Yes
Approved by Purchasing	Not Applicable	County Clerk's Approval	Yes
Administrator's Approval	Yes		

Staff Notes: