

ENROLLED ORDINANCE 180-8

MODIFY THE 2025 DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS BUDGET TO  
ACCEPT INTEROPERABLE RADIO GRANT FUNDING

WHEREAS, the Waukesha County Department of Emergency Preparedness recognizes the need to maintain radio and communications equipment that is interoperable with partner agencies and compatible with emerging communications systems; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Military Affairs – Office of Emergency Communications administers an Interoperable Radio grant program with priority for southeast Wisconsin municipalities during FY25 to assist local government agencies with purchasing radios and equipment needed to transition operations from the existing VHF WISCOM system to the new 800 MHz WISCOM system; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Military Affairs – Office of Emergency Communications has awarded grant funding to Waukesha County Emergency Preparedness for a project totaling \$48,685; and

WHEREAS, this project will be funded with \$37,707 of Interoperable Radio grant revenues and \$10,978 of local match; and

WHEREAS, the local match does not require additional appropriations and will be made available with previously allocated departmental radio replacement funds; and

WHEREAS, grant funds will not be received until after project close out after March, 1, 2026, so Radio Services fund balance will be used to cover the upfront costs in anticipation of reimbursement in late 2026.

THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF WAUKESHA ORDAINS that the Waukesha County Department of Emergency Preparedness is authorized to accept \$37,707 of Interoperable Radio grant funding for WISCOM 800 compatible radio equipment.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the 2025 Waukesha County Department of Emergency Preparedness – Radio Services budget be modified to increase fixed assets and use of Radio Services fund balance by \$37,707 to carry out the Interoperable Radio grant project.


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Presented By:  
Judiciary & Law Enforcement Committee

Approved By:  
Finance Committee

  
Jacob LaFontain, Chair

  
Gary J. Szpara, Chair

  
Jim Batzko


  
Timothy Dondlinger


**Absent**

Michael A. Crowley

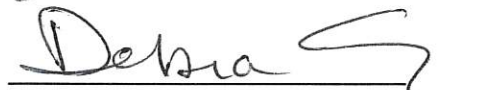
  
Darryl Enriquez

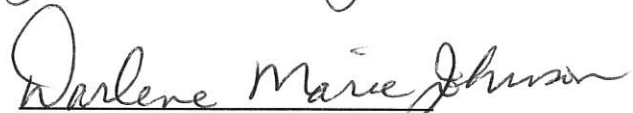
  
Timothy Dondlinger

  
Wayne Euclide

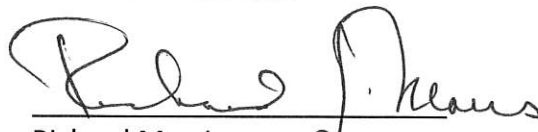
  
John D. Leisemann

  
Joel R. Gaughan

  
Deb Schroeder

  
Darlene M. Johnson

  
Terry Thieme

  
Richard Morris

The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of Waukesha County, Wisconsin, was presented to the County Executive on:

Date: 04-24-2025   
Jennifer A. Moore, Deputy  
Margaret Wartman, County Clerk

The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of Waukesha County, Wisconsin, is hereby:

Approved: X

Vetoed: \_\_\_\_\_

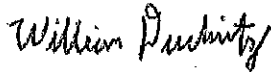
Date: 4/30/2025   
Paul Farrow, County Executive

FISCAL NOTE

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This ordinance modifies the 2025 Department of Emergency Preparedness – Radio Services Fund budget to accept \$37,707 in grant funding from the Wisconsin Department of Military Affairs – Office of Emergency Communications for the purchase of interoperable radio equipment. The total project cost is \$48,685, with the remaining \$10,978 funded through previously allocated departmental radio replacement funds. The budget is modified to increase fixed assets by \$37,707 for the grant-funded portion but no additional county appropriations are needed to cover the local match.

The grant funding will be reimbursed after project completion in early to mid-2026, requiring the department to temporarily cover costs with Radio Services Fund balance until reimbursement is received. This budget modification ensures the department can acquire the necessary radio equipment to transition to the updated WISCOM 7/800 MHz system. This project will fund 6 of the 22 radios that Emergency Management will eventually need to replace. Department management indicates that it is already working to plan for the replacement of the remaining radios (which are expected to be offered at discount) in advance of the 2028 deadline for switching over.



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William Duckwitz

Budget Manager

4/1/2024

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# VOTE RESULTS

25 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0 ABSENT

## Consent Agenda

Passed With 17 Yes Votes Needed

D1 - Styza	AYE	D10 - Thieme	AYE	D19 - Enriquez	AYE
D2 - Euclide	AYE	D11 - Howard	AYE	D20 - Schellinger	AYE
D3 - Morris	AYE	D12 - Wolff	AYE	D21 - Gaughan	AYE
D4 - Batzko	AYE	D13 - Leisemann	AYE	D22 - Szpara	AYE
D5 - Dondlinger	AYE	D14 - Mommaerts	AYE	D23 - Hammitt	M AYE
D6 - Walz	AYE	D15 - Kolb	AYE	D24 - Schroeder	AYE
D7 - LaFontain	S AYE	D16 - Crowley	AYE	D25 - Johnson	AYE
D8 - Koremenos	AYE	D17 - Meier	AYE		
D9 - Heinrich	AYE	D18 - Nelson	AYE		

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April 22, 2025



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