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	Agenda Item No.	29E
	Roll Call No.	<u>13-0324</u>
	Communication No.	<u>13-077</u>
	Submitted by:	Judy A. Bradshaw, Chief of Police

AGENDA HEADING:

Approval to purchase twenty one (21) portable radios and related equipment from Racom Communications, 201 West State Street, Marshalltown, Iowa, 50158, President and CEO Michael Miller.

SYNOPSIS:

The Des Moines Police Department is working in conjunction with the Polk County Sheriff’s Office to establish a voice radio system with capabilities of working with surrounding area radio systems. The radios being purchased are an intricate part of the project. These radios would allow thirty (30) police, fire, and emergency management entities throughout the Polk County area to communicate with the City of Des Moines Police radio system.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$48,746.25

Funding Source: Miscellaneous Improvements sections of the Capital Improvement Projects (CIP): Voice Radio Interoperability CP051, POL990000, MSC009, found in the Recommended Capital Improvement Program 2012-2013 / 2017-2018; Improvement – 14.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The Voice Radio Interoperability Project or Metropolitan Interoperability Communications System (MICS) began with the City of Des Moines receiving funding from the 2005 Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Interoperability grant. The project is nearing completion. This purchase will provide additional equipment necessary to expand the shared radio capabilities to several fire and police departments throughout Polk County. It also will promote and allow shared radio services between the City of Des Moines and the Polk County area.

The MICS Project will establish a system providing radio communication to be shared between the City of Des Moines and emergency responders within Polk County. This capability will enhance first responders communication abilities in regards to the delivery of emergency services.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: September 10, 2012

Roll Call Number: [12-1429](#)

Action: [RACOM](#) Corporation (Michael Miller, President) for portable radio equipment per State of Iowa Contract for use with the Metropolitan Interoperability Communications System of the Police Department, \$399,255. ([Council Communication No. 12-475](#)). Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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