



TO: Mayor Shaun Sipma
Members of the City Council

FROM: John Klug, Chief of Police

DATE: June 9th, 2021

SUBJECT: AMMEND 2021 DISPATCH BUDGET TO PURCHASE RADIO CONSOLE FOR
COMMUNICATION WITH MINOT FIRE DEPARTMENT

I. RECOMMENDED ACTION

Recommend the Council amend the 2021 annual budget to move the requested amount from the Dispatch equipment repair budget to the Capital Purchase account for the purchase of a replacement Minot Fire Department radio console to be installed at central dispatch.

II. DEPARTMENT CONTACT PERSONS

John Klug, Police Chief	857-9800
Kelli Kronschnabel, Fire Chief	857-4740
Margaret Haugan, PSAP Manager	857-9816

III. DESCRIPTION

A. Background

The Minot Fire Department is dependent on radio communication from Minot Central Dispatch. The radio console recently malfunctioned leaving dispatch and the fire department to find a quick fix. While it has been temporarily fixed, this console offers a more permanent and reliable solution to the problem.

B. Proposed Project

The purchase of this console ensures that communication between the Fire Department and Central dispatch is uninterrupted and the toning of stations with work properly. This is a very important piece of equipment

C. Consultant Selection

The Radio console needs to be compatible with all other communication equipment in dispatch. This why this type of radio console was chosen for purchase.

IV. IMPACT:

A. Strategic Impact:

This console will ensure proper communication between agencies and ensure there are no technical delays between emergency personnel and the public.

B. Service/Delivery Impact:

Telecommunication equipment is a key component between central dispatch and the fire department at emergency scenes. The radio console is a vital component in this process.

C. Fiscal Impact:

No Impact on city funds

10024000-44310	\$ (6,567)
<u>Capital Fund</u>	<u>6,567</u>
<i>Net Impact</i>	\$ 0.00

V. ALTERNATIVES

Council can choose to deny the budget amendment and risk poor or failed communication between Central Dispatch and Minot Fire Department.

VI. TIME CONSTRAINTS

The new console was ordered due to the emergency nature of the request. We are currently operating off a temporary fix until the new unit arrives.

VII. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

A. Budget Amendment.