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MEMORANDUM

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TO: TOWN COUNCIL *Robert Hedlund*
FROM: ROBERT L. HEDLUND, MAYOR
RE: FREE CASH FOR FIRE DEPT DISPATCH/RECORDS SYSTEMS
DATE: April 29, 2021

I submit the following measure to Town Council for its consideration and action:

“That the Town of Weymouth transfer the sum of \$210,000.00 from Free Cash into a ‘02’ fund account for the purpose of funding costs associated with the purchase of new dispatch and records management system for the Weymouth Fire Department.”

This need is #20 on the 2022-2026 Capital Improvement Plan

This measure requires a legal notice and public hearing.

At the time of this submittal the balance in Free Cash is \$3,368,530.00. Should all previously submitted Free Cash measures be approved, the Free Cash balance would be \$771,668.25.

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Robert L. Hedlund, Mayor
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Mayor Hedlund,

The Weymouth Fire Department is requesting funding to update and upgrade the departments 13-year-old Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) and Records Management Systems (RMS). The current product that the department is using has been purchased by competitors and is being discontinued as they focus on the development and marketing of their newer products.

This departmental need was identified over a year ago. Since that time, the department has been working with the Town's IT department and our public safety partners at the Police Department to identify and qualify CAD and RMS systems that will serve the needs of Weymouth for years to come. Improvements in these newer software systems allow for integration of critical public safety data across platforms. Inspection and Pre-plan data are available to the firefighters via their truck mounted mobile data terminals providing crucial information for making sound decisions and keeping citizens and first responders safe. Standards compliant and FEMA approved National Fire Incident Reporting System (NFIRS) modules share response data with the State and Federal government for improved statistical analysis. Other advantages of the new software are vehicle and equipment maintenance modules as well as training and inventory management modules.

The Fire Department is requesting \$210,000.00 for the purchase of the new CAD/RMS software along with the necessary hardware and installation costs to complete this technology upgrade. The annual licensing cost of this product will be similar to the current product at \$14,000.00 per year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Keith Stark', is written over a horizontal line.

Chief Keith Stark
Weymouth Fire Department