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Memorandum

To: Livingston County Board of Commissioners
From: Therese CremonTE, Emergency Management Director
Date: 07/9/2025
Re: RESOLUTION TO APPROVE EVERBRIDGE PUBLIC ALERTING SYSTEM FOR LIVINGSTON COUNTY 2025 -2030

Since 2017 Livingston County has had a public alerting system to reach the community and provide vital information to the public. The public alerting system is a platform that supports the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System, IPAWS, a national system for local alerting.

Michigan Public Act 390 of 1976, 30.410 (a) in part states “shall include provisions for the dissemination of public information...” regarding the responsibilities of Emergency Management. The public alerting system adds to the safety and the resiliency of the community by providing a mechanism to quickly and efficiently warn citizens of imminent danger. It can also be used to advise the public of protective actions in an emergency.

The Everbridge system is currently utilized by Livingston County responders for emergency callouts. This allows the Everbridge system to be considered as a sole source provider. Livingston County 911 Central Dispatch currently utilizes two separate alert systems, one for the public and one for responders. Having to utilize two separate systems may create a time delay when seconds matter.

Though Emergency Management has an oversight of the public alerting system, it is funded and budgeted through 911 Central Dispatch utilizing 911 fees. The public alerting system is budgeted yearly through Livingston County 911 Central Dispatch. The current request is already within the 911 budget.

The cost for Everbridge is comparable to the cost for the system currently in place. The contract for the current system will expire in September 2025. The Everbridge contract is a five-year contract that would run from September 2025 to September 2030 with no price increase.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me.