

RESOLUTION NO. R-2363

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND APPROVING THE KIRKLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT ACQUISITION OF SEVEN PORTABLE RADIOS PROJECT AS INCLUDED IN THE 1977 KING COUNTY LAW AND JUSTICE PLAN SUBMISSION II.

WHEREAS, portable radio communication between police officers on patrol and the station house permit police officers to extend their activity outside of their patrol car without reducing officer's safety or officer emergency response capability, and

WHEREAS, the acquisition of additional portable radios by the Kirkland Police Department is an appropriate proposed Law and Justice project,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Kirkland as follows:

Section 1: The City Council of the City of Kirkland does hereby approve the inclusion of a City of Kirkland Police Department project for the acquisition of seven portable radios and related materials as a part of the 1977 King County Law and Justice Plan Submission II. Copy of said project is attached to the original of this resolution and by this reference incorporated herein.

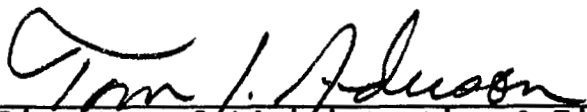
Section 2: The City Manager is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the City of Kirkland any and all applications, reports, contracts and other documents as may be required to submit, process and carry out said project.

ADOPTED by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in regular meeting on the 19th day of April, 1976.



Mayor pro tem

Attest:



Director of Administration & Finance
(ex officio City Clerk)

7. Project Title
PORTABLE RADIOS

8. Budget Summary

BUDGET CATEGORIES		SOURCE OF FUNDS		
1. Personal Services		1 Federal (LEAA)	10,000	ar %
2. Supplies		2 State Buy-In	555	5 %
3. Other Services & Charges		3 Local Cash Match	556	5 %
4. Capital Outlay	\$ 1,111	4 State Agency Match		%
5. Construction				
Total Cost	\$ 11,111	Total Funds	\$ 11,111	100%

9. Project Period

Proposed project period 1/77 to 6/77
 Project is a continuation of Grant Number new and will require LEAA support for 0 additional years.

10. Project Summary

This project requests a total of \$10,000 for a period of one year to purchase seven portable radios and related materials to equip all patrol officers on the active shift.

The availability of portable contact will free the officer from his auto-mounted radio transceiver and allow him to devote routine patrol time to more productive activities in the public information, follow-up and crime prevention areas while still maintaining speedy emergency response capability.

This alternate use of patrol time is expected to realize an indirect impact on the crimes of burglary and vandalism through increased officer contact with the juvenile population that appears to account for the majority of these offenses in Kirkland.

A subsidiary benefit is an improvement in officer safety when handling situations away from the patrol vehicle radio. Even if separated in an emergency from his car mounted radio, the officer can still make contact with the station.

Problem to be Addressed by Project

The lack of sufficient portable radio capability in the Kirkland Police Department results in a two-fold problem:

1. The need for instantaneous communication with patrol units in emergencies means that the officer has to be within reach of his dash-mounted radio at all times during his tour of duty. While he can leave the vehicle for short periods without drastically reducing his emergency response capability, it is not possible for him to leave the vehicle long enough to hold a neighborhood crime prevention meeting, or to engage in extensive follow-up activities. Hence the need for speedy response in emergencies, coupled with the lack of sufficient portable radio capacity effectively rules out the use of patrol officers for any function other than routine patrol or emergency response.

2. When outside the patrol vehicle to question or apprehend a suspect, the officer is entirely cut off from the station. In the event that he encounters a hazardous situation, he is unable to communicate with dispatch until he can return to the vehicle. Accordingly, it is sometimes necessary to dispatch more manpower to a call than actually needed to handle it in order to maintain an acceptable level of personal safety.

Purpose or Intent of Project

Target Crime: This project will impact the target crime of burglary through the anticipated use of additional hours of patrol officers' time to provide public information on crime prevention techniques and to conduct follow-up work on reported burglaries.

Objectives: The objective of this project is to purchase portable radios and related equipment to equip patrol

officers on active shift in order to:

1. allow for extended officer activity away from the patrol vehicle-mounted radio without substantially reducing emergency response capability;

2. allow for increased officer presence in the community in crime prevention and public information functions free of constant phone check-ins with the station;

3. improve officer safety while handling emergency calls away from the patrol vehicle.

Implementation

Resources: Grant Supported - Grant funds will be used to purchase seven portable radios and related equipment (chargers, scrambler).

Nongrant Supported - The specifications and bidding for the equipment will be handled through the Kirkland Police Department's Administration Division headed by Lt. Larry Jensen and assisted by the City of Kirkland's Purchasing Agent Richard D/Allesandro.

Activities:

1. Write specifications for radio components.
2. Let bids for specified materials.
3. Initiate contract with selected vendor.
4. Initiate use of portables on patrol.

Project should be completed in six months.

Evaluation:

Evaluation will be undertaken by the subgrantee at LJPO Level "E." Evaluation will consist of ensuring that bidding and specifications were accomplished in accordance with LJPO directives and that the equipment purchased is performing correctly.