


SUBJECT: Greater Harris County 9-1-1 Emergency Network, Year 2015		Category #	Page 1 of 1	Agenda Item #
FROM (Department or other point of origin): Dennis Storemski, Director Mayor's Office of Public Safety and Homeland Security		Origination Date 11/20/2014		Agenda Date
DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE: 		Council District affected: ALL		
For additional information contact: David Cutler, HEC Director Phone: 713-884-3602		Date and identification of prior authorizing Council action:		
RECOMMENDATION: (Summary) Approval of the Greater Harris County 9-1-1 Emergency Network Budget for Fiscal Year 2015 – January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015				
Amount and Source of Funding: Not Applicable			F & A Budget:	
SPECIFIC EXPLANATION: The Houston Emergency Center is requesting City Council's approval of the Greater Harris County 9-1-1 Emergency Network's annual budget of \$59,987,000 for budget year 2015 (January 1, 2015 – December 31, 2015). This is an increase of approximately \$2.1 million from their 2014 budget. The Greater Harris County 9-1-1 Emergency Network is the governmental agency that administers the 9-1-1 system, providing coordination and other collateral support for participating jurisdictions within Harris and Fort Bend Counties. Through the 9-1-1 system, emergency calls from citizens are referred to the appropriate emergency response agency such as police, fire and ambulance services, as well as other agencies including Crisis Hotline, Poison Control and emergency management operations. Due to its intergovernmental functions and pursuant to State Law, the Greater Harris County 9-1-1 Emergency Network annual budget must be approved by the Greater Harris County 9-1-1 Emergency Network Board of Managers, Harris County Commissioners' Court, and the City of Houston City Council. A copy of the budget was delivered to each Council Member during the month of November 2014. Additionally, a copy of the budget is available for review in the City Secretary's office and copies are available from the Houston Emergency Center. In summary, Greater Harris County 9-1-1 will reimburse the City of Houston approximately \$13 million for 157.5 HEC 9-1-1 call taker positions. This budget was presented to the Public Safety Committee on November 20, 2014.				
REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION				
F & A Director:		Other Authorization:		Other Authorization: