

**CITY OF WARRENSBURG
FIRE DEPARTMENT**

September 12, 2022

Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council
City of Warrensburg, Missouri

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

SUBJECT: An Ordinance Authorizing the City Manager and City Clerk to Execute an Agreement With Insight Public Sector for Fire Department iPad Tablets and Associated Hardware

BACKGROUND:

Fire Department apparatus are equipped with Data 911 computer systems to access dispatch information and fire department records in the field. Additionally, apparatus are equipped with a tablet that allows firefighters to conduct occupancy inspections and input information directly into the Fire Department's record management system. Both devices access the internet through a separate WiFi hot spot.

IT and Fire personnel discussed the best solution to meet the needs of the department. After evaluating the needs of the department and applications critical for field operations, we determined that iPad tablets were the best solution. The iPads will reduce power draw on apparatus and reduce damage to charging and battery systems. The iPads will have direct data access eliminating the need to maintain a WiFi hot spot. iPads will provide access to dispatch information, department applications, and provide mobility for conducting inspections.

The City utilized the Omnia Contract and selected Insight Public Sector as the successful bidder through this bid contract.

ISSUE:

The current FD vehicle computer, tablet, and WiFi access devices are becoming outdated and are due for replacement. The Data 911 computers mounted in FD apparatus draw high levels of electrical power damaging on board charging systems and batteries. Equipment is duplicated to achieve department operations.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

Focus 1 Investment and Infrastructure

FISCAL IMPACT:

The total cost of the agreement is \$9,966.80 and is to be funded using American Rescue Plan Act funding.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the Ordinance as submitted.

Sincerely,



Kenneth D. Jennings
Fire Chief