Submitted by:

Chair of the Assembly at the

Request of the Mayor

Prepared by:

Public Works Department

For Reading:

March 27, 2012

CLERK'S OFFICE APPROVED 3-27-12

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

AR No. 2012-84	
A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2012 LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE, AS ADOPTED UNDER AR 2011-295(S) TO ADD A CAPITAL REQUEST FOR ANCHORAGE WIDE AREA RADIO NETWORK (AWARN) INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADE, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.	
WHEREAS, the 2012 State Legislative Program for the Municipality of Anchorage (State Fiscal Year 2013) was adopted on November 8, 2011 as revised and set out in AR 2011-295(S); and	
WHEREAS, AWARN is the Anchorage portion of the Alaska Land Mobile Radio Network (ALMRN); and	
WHEREAS, AWARN/ALMRN is how all federal, state, and local law enforcement, fire, and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) providers interoperate; and	
WHEREAS the AWARN infrastructure was commissioned in 2009 and the manufacturer has offered hardware and software updates to enhance the operation and maintainability of these systems, and	
WHEREAS, without the software updates to the AWARN system, interoperability with state, federal, and local partners will become difficult or impossible, which can prohibit delivery of public safety services to residents; now therefore,	
THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY RESOLVES:	
Section 1. The 2012 State Legislative Program for the Municipality of Anchorage, Capital Budget request, is hereby amended to include the AWARN Infrastructure Upgrade, in the amount of Two Million Five Hundred Seventy-three Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-nine Dollars (\$2,573,489), as reflected in Attachment 1.	
Section 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage and approval by the Anchorage Assembly.	
PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 27th day of Mark , 2012.	
ATTEST: Chair of the Assembly	

Municipal Clerk

Attachment 1

Capital Budget Request Detail

Public Works Department

Communications

Anchorage Wide Area Radio Network (AWARN) Infrastructure Upgrades \$2,573,489

AWARN is the Anchorage portion of the Alaska Land Mobile Radio Network (ALMRN). It is via this radio network that all Anchorage departments communicate among themselves and with state and federal law enforcement and emergency medical responders. If a State Trooper needs to speak with Anchorage Police along the Glenn Highway or a Chugiak Volunteer Fire Department Medic needs to communicate with MatSu Regional Hospital, it is the AWARN/ALMRN networks that make it possible.

The manufacturer of AWARN is offering hardware and software upgrades. These upgrades are necessary to maintain interoperability among local, state, and federal authorities and to continue the delivery of public safety services to Anchorage residents.