

FISCAL NOTE
COVID-19 Supplemental

Ordinance/Motion:			
Title:		OEM Emergency Operations Center (EOC) A/V System Replacement	
Agency:		Office of Emergency Management (EN_A40100)	
Summary: Replace certain OEM EOC A/V systems to order to sustain continued operations in support of the ongoing COVID response. The sustained response has added significant depreciation to the originally installed A/V equipment from the early 2000's. OEM must immediately replace certain equipment in order to provide continued support to the County's COVID response. Not replacing the equipment jeopardizes continuity of the response and the health and well-being of King County First Responders.			
	2019-2020	2021-2022	2023-2024
FEDERAL GRANTS DIRECT (R3310)	1,500,000		
Total Revenue	1,500,000	-	-
SERVICES-OTHER CHARGES (53000)	1,000,000		
INTRAGOVERNMENTAL SERVICES (55000)	500,000		
Total Expenditure	1,500,000	-	-
Net Impact	-	-	-
Total TLT	-	-	-
<p>Due to the extent and duration of the COVID activation, the A/V system problems in the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) has reached a critical juncture. The EOC has been activated for 10+ weeks for COVID response operations and will continue for the foreseeable future. The A/V system is hindering OEM's ability to collect information and develop intelligence on the situation. It does not allow OEM to effectively share information within the EOC and out to partners organizations and is ineffective in allowing OEM to communicate with most other officials and groups who are working from home or otherwise working virtually.</p> <p>This extended activation has resulted in multiple equipment failures, the most recent being the loss of the center projector. The EOC has been able to continue functioning, but with significant limitations in capability. Staff have adopted work-around to accommodate the loss of technology. While work-arounds are in place, those work-arounds generally do not allow for social distancing, so EOC responders are forced to choose between keeping themselves safe, and gathering the information they need to do their jobs. For example, between the completely-failed audio system and cable TV system, in order to monitor press conferences employees and volunteers must huddle together around the one television with an antenna. To continue an effective response for COVID, OEM must address some of the critical failures as soon as possible, ideally before the expected 2nd wave of COVID later this year. OEM has identified a vendor and is working to determine their capacity and willingness to complete the required work.</p>			

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