


REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date: 11/16/2015
Item No.: 11.e

Department Approval

City Manager Approval



Item Description: Fire Department Closest Unit Dispatching and Share Services Presentation

BACKGROUND

In 2014 the Ramsey County Fire Chiefs Association started a committee to research and evaluate the opportunity for increased Shared Services and a component of Closest Unit Dispatching amongst fire departments in Ramsey County. The Roseville Fire Department took an active role in the committee to assist with evaluating and vetting future opportunities.

The concept behind Closest Unit Dispatching will be an advanced and faster response times to our most critical calls: structure fires and cardiac arrests. It is hoped that with a decreased response time for emergency personnel to these critical call types, the chances to provide for life-saving maneuvers are increased.

The Fire Department will provide a presentation and further insight into how the program could potentially look, as well as the critical benefits to the citizens of Roseville as well as neighboring communities throughout Ramsey County from this partnership.

POLICY OBJECTIVE

Council support to continue to work with other Ramsey County Departments on a finished product, and Joint Powers Agreement (JPA).

FINANCIAL IMPACTS

There no financial impacts at this time.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

No action is needed at this time. Item is only for informational purposes at this time.

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Attachments: A: PowerPoint Presentation



SHARED SERVICES- CLOSEST UNIT DISPATCHING

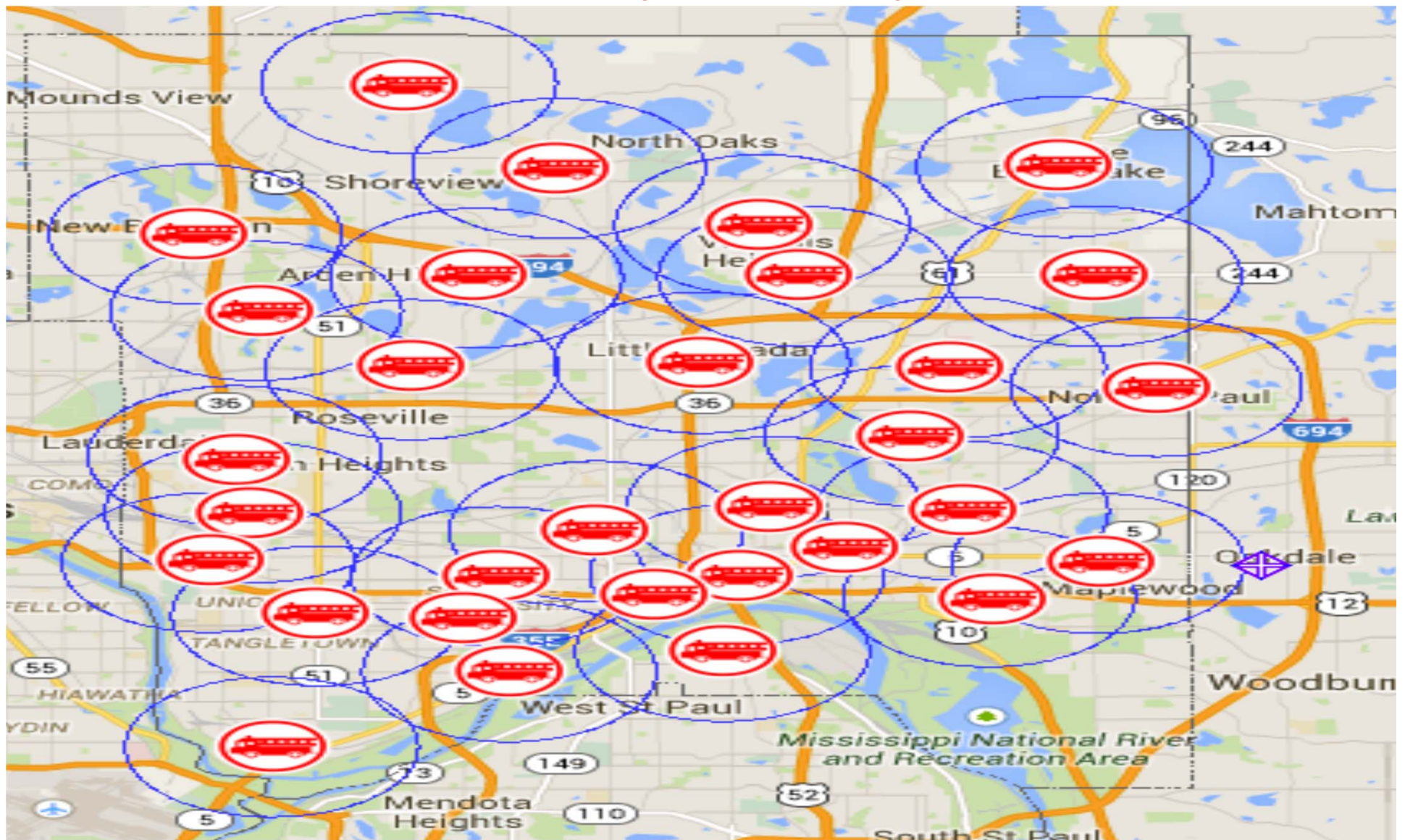
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Overview

- Committee made up of staff from fire agencies in Ramsey County and the Ramsey County Emergency Communications Center.
- Establishing a **customer-first** based program utilizing existing technology through the dispatch center.
 - Critical call focused.
- Potentially one of the few programs of this nature in the country.

Stations in Ramsey County



Call Types and Units

- Dispatching of Units:
 - In-station
 - Mobile
- Call Types:
 - Working structure fires
 - Cardiac arrests
- Response Units:
 - **Fire Response Unit:** Any fire apparatus that can provide immediate rescue and/or fire suppression.
 - **First Response Unit:** Any emergency vehicle with AED and CPR-trained personnel.

Next Step & Recommendations

- Agency Unit Definition and Specification
- Turnout Time Establishment
- Agreement amongst municipalities
 - Write and establish a Joint Powers Agreement.
 - December 1
- CAD Updates, Edits, and Training in Dispatch
 - Late 2015 into 2016

Timeline

- Summer and Fall 2015
 - Development of the program details.
 - Writing of and review of a JPA amongst Ramsey County Fire agencies.
- Winter 2015
 - Training and development with CAD and dispatch.
 - Training and information for fire departments and department staff.
- Spring/Summer 2016
 - Implementation of the Shared Services- Closest Unit Dispatch Program.
 - 12-18 month trial period to evaluate the program (July 31, 2017).



END

- Questions?