

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Code Red Service Agreement

DATE OF MEETING: January 12, 2016

BUDGET IMPACT: \$25,000.00

FUNDING SOURCE

- Annual
- Capital
- N/A

- Regular Meeting
- Work Session
- Recommendation
- Policy/Discussion
- Report
- Other

COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Code Red Service Agreement

HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: In December 2007, the Lowndes County Board of Commissioners approved the initial service agreement with Emergency Communications Network (ECN) to provide the Code Red service as a means of providing emergency telephone notifications to the citizens of Lowndes County. In February 2009, an addendum to the original agreement was approved which added the Code Red Weather Warning service as well. The original annual cost for Code Red was \$26,500.00 and Weather Warning was an additional \$12,500.00 for a total annual cost of \$39,000.00.

In July 2012, the Lowndes County Board of Commissioners approved a 5 year service agreement which reduced the annual cost to \$35,000.00 for both services. Lowndes County Emergency Management has worked with the vendor to determine ways to both improve service and reduce costs. Emergency Communications Network, the vendor who provides Code Red and Weather Warning Services, has offered a revised service agreement which results in Lowndes County paying \$25,000.00 annually for Code Red Service with Weather Warning Service being provided at no additional costs. This agreement would automatically renew each year for a total of 5 years over the life of this agreement. Lowndes County Emergency Management has continually evaluated service and pricing options offered by other vendors, but has not found another vendor that staff felt could provide improved service over what the County currently has.

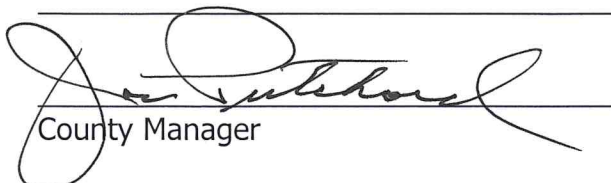
OPTIONS: 1. Approve updated 5 year service agreement.
2. Board's pleasure.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Option 1

DEPARTMENT: Emergency Management

Department Head: Ashley Tye

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATION:



County Manager

Action Taken By Board: _____