

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FIRST RESPONDER NETWORK AUTHORITY FINANCE COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 25 RECOMMENDATION ON NETWORK INVESTMENTS

June 17, 2020

WHEREAS, the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet Authority) was established under the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012 (Act), which requires the FirstNet Authority to build, operate, maintain, and upgrade the Nationwide Public Safety Broadband Network (NPSBN).

WHEREAS, the Act authorizes the FirstNet Authority to reinvest fees to construct, maintain, operate, or improve the NPSBN.

WHEREAS, the Board approves and allocates the FirstNet Authority's budget into the following three major funding categories: (1) First Responder Network Authority - Operations; (2) Operational Contingency Reserve; and (3) Reinvestment in Network Enhancement Fund.

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2019, the Board enacted Resolution 100, "Financial Responsibilities for Reinvestment," in which, among other things, the Board resolved that "no funds may be obligated from the Reinvestment in Network Enhancement Fund funding category for the purposes of investment without Board approval."

WHEREAS, on September 18, 2019, the Board enacted Resolution 102 "Coverage Enhancement and Network Enhancement Investment Recommendations" in which, the Board authorized the FirstNet Authority management to take all actions necessary to implement the proposals in accordance with the objectives and business cases as presented to the Board.

WHEREAS, FirstNet Authority management briefed the Board, which included the Finance Committee members, on the material terms of two task orders to the existing NPSBN contract that would expand FirstNet's deployable capabilities and services and initiate a core generational upgrade.

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee Charter, dated December 5, 2019, states that the Finance Committee is responsible for reviewing management's recommendation for obligation of funds from the Reinvestment in Network Enhancement Fund category.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board Finance Committee recommends to the Board that it approves the material terms of two task orders to the existing NPSBN contract that would expand FirstNet's deployable capabilities and services and initiate a core generational upgrade and that it direct management to take all actions necessary to issue Task Orders to the NPSBN contract to obtain these services consistent with such material terms and to obligate the necessary funds.

I, the undersigned, Board Secretary of the FirstNet Authority, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at the meeting of the FirstNet Authority Board on June 17, 2020, at which a quorum was present and voted.

Janell Smith, Board Secretary