

**FY 2019-2020 Virginia Beach Budget
Response to Council Questions**

Question Number: FY 20 19

Question: On the slide titled FY20 CIT Increase Request 3.719 Communications Infrastructure Replacement III, 1) what is the unacceptable risk incurred by shifting this expense to a later year? 2) A repeat number of \$500,000 across four years not even adjusted for inflation is the surest indicator of a lack of rigor in the cost estimate. The former being said, please provide the methodology by which the \$500,000 funding requirement for each of the years FY 20, FY21, FY 22, FY 23.

Date Requested: February 25th, 2019

Requested By: Councilmember Moss

Department: Information Technology

Response:

- 1) Non-public safety radio replacements would not occur for non-public safety radios unless funded by the departments on a fund's available basis.
- 2) 3.719 Communications Infrastructure replacement III is used to replace public safety radios to match their expected lifecycle. There is NO funding programmed to replace non-public safety radios. The requested \$500,000 is a phased request to replace the approximately \$ 2M of non-public safety radios. This is required because the non-public safety radios utilize the aged analog radio system and the users must to be moved to the digital radio system so the analog system can be retired.