



City of Philadelphia Question Responses Fire Station Alerting

Question Number	RFI Section # (If applicable)	Question	Response
1.	General	Could you please provide clarification on if the proposed system would be solely for Fire Station Alerting, or if the City would like Automated Dispatching as well?	This RFI is solely for Fire Station Alerting and does not include Automated Dispatching.
2.	VI. Anticipated Solution Requirements: Station Alerting	Concerning Ramped Audio, Ramped Lighting, and zoning needs: Can you provide station drawings with specifics on the numbers of bunks and square footage?	More specific information pertaining to each facility is not something that will be provided at this time. It is important to note that the average age of our facilities is approximately 57 years, which presents challenges because each facility will have its own requirements. However, we are fully prepared to address these challenges with a customized approach, accounting for the size and number of offices and bunkrooms per facility, the specific zoned assembly areas in each facility that also require station alerting capabilities, and the varying power supply needs. A complete package particular to each facility will be assembled and provided during a subsequent RFP process if the City determines to move in that direction.
3.	VI. Anticipated Solution Requirements: Station Alerting	Concerning Ramped Audio, Ramped Lighting, and zoning needs: Will all stations be zoned?	Yes.
4.	VI. Anticipated Solution Requirements: Hardware Requirement	Concerning possible radio solution (the RFI mentions that the city currently utilizes Motorola): Will the city want IP station alerting only, or IP with Radio alerting as a redundancy?	The City is looking for IP station alerting only.



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5.	VI. Anticipated Solution Requirements: Hardware Requirement	IF "IP" with Radio Alerting as a redundancy to the above: Can you provide a radio diagram of the city's current set up? How many dispatch channels are currently utilized? Does the city need the ability to change channels on the fly? Does the city need complex toning? Does the city need utilization of talk groups or similar functionality?	N/A
6.		How long is this project period?	The City anticipates this project, if it was to move forward, could take upwards of 10 years to properly outfit all of the fire stations with the alerting system.
7.		What is the estimated size of the project budget?	A budget has not yet been determined at this time. One purpose of this RFI is to gather information regarding cost estimates to better inform an overall budget.