



TO: Dr. Koultourides and Members of the Town Council

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SUBJECT: Warning Sirens: 9950 Calumet Ave. and 7800 Hohman Ave.

DATE: November 1, 2021

Background

The Town of Munster have 4 emergency warning sirens located within the Town. Three (3) out of the four (4) sirens are of a rotating assembly style with battery backup and one (1) is stationary with no battery backup.

The siren located at Fitness Pointe (9950 Calumet Ave.) is a rotating assembly style with battery backup that is mounted and currently leaning at approximately 6 degrees. Due to siren rotation, when activated it will cause a premature failure of the bearings that the siren rotates on.

The siren located at Sunnyside Park (7800 Hohman Ave.) does not have battery backup capability and is due for replacement.

Methodology

The wooden pole located at Fitness Pointe needs to be repositioned and placed in an upright position. The Fitness Pointe siren will require the pole to be straightened and soil reset to keep the pole upright. Midwestern Electric Inc. provided a quote of \$2,935.00 to complete work. The quote does include planting grass seed once completed. The Sunnyside Park siren (Federal Model 2) will be replaced with a newer style siren (Eclipse 8) which has battery backup capabilities. Capitol Electronics Inc. provided a quote of \$22,363.00 for the Eclipse 8 siren with installation and a quote of \$1,412.00 for removal and disposal of the old siren. Capitol Electronics Inc. is also the authorized contractor for the warning sirens in Lake County, Indiana.

Recommendation

The Town Council approve the repair to Fitness Pointe siren pole and the replacement of Sunnyside Park siren (with removal of older siren) in the Town of Munster at a total cost of \$26,710.00, which will be paid from the General Obligation Bond Fund 414-915212-64422.