

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT
OF AN ENHANCED 911 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SERVICE
WITHIN HARDIN COUNTY, KENTUCKY

WHEREAS, the members of the legislative bodies of the City of Elizabethtown, City of Sonora, City of Upton and County of Hardin have participated in a number of public hearings and have received information from various sources concerning the enhancement of the health, safety and welfare of the general public by having available an emergency telephone service; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to KRS 65.760, local governments are authorized to establish fees to be paid by the general public as telephone users to pay the cost of establishing and maintaining emergency telephone service; and,

WHEREAS, GTE South (hereinafter referred to as "GTE South"), is the provider of the local telephone service in the City of Elizabethtown, City of Sonora, City of Upton, and a portion of Hardin County, (hereinafter referred to as "Local Area"), and has available Enhanced 911 Emergency Telephone Service which will meet the emergency telephone service needs of the Local Area; and,

WHEREAS, the Hardin County Fiscal Court recognize that the Public Service Commission regulates the area of telephone service and must approve subscriber rate increases and Hardin County as a contracting party of "911" would be a subscriber for any rate modifications requested by the Phone Company; and,

WHEREAS, the legislative bodies of the City of Elizabethtown, City of Sonora, and City of Upton, have requested

WHEREAS, the Hardin County Fiscal Court, after extensive study and review, determines that it is in the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Hardin County to establish an emergency telephone service.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE FISCAL COURT OF THE COUNTY OF HARDIN, COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY:

SECTION ONE. There is hereby established a safety answering service to provide a single telephone number of emergency services within the Local Area, which service shall be known as "911".

SECTION TWO. AGREEMENT

(a) Hardin County, by and through the Hardin County Judge/Executive, is authorized to enter into an agreement with GTE South to provide for the construction, implementation and ongoing maintenance of "911" within the Local Area. Said agreement shall be for a period of one (1) year commencing shall be automatically renewable upon the same terms and conditions unless prior thirty (30) days of the close of said twelve (12) month period either party notifies the other of its intention to modify and/or terminate said agreement.

(b) Said agreement shall reflect the installation costs and the current tariffed recurring charges of Enhanced 911 service charged during the contract period.

SECTION THREE. "911" FEE

(a) There is hereby established a "911" fee of _____

cents per month for each exchange telephone subscriber which is levied as a fee to be paid by each exchange subscriber in the Local Area on an individual exchange line basis limited to a maximum of 25 exchange line per account, by _____, and each month thereafter.

(b) GTE South shall collect the "911" fee from the subscriber and remit said fee to Hardin County according to the terms of the agreement.

SECTION FOUR. "911" ADVISORY BOARD

(a) There is hereby established a Hardin County "911" Advisory Board, which shall be comprised of the following individuals: County Representative/Chairman appointed by the Hardin County Judge/Executive; City Representative from each of the participating cities appointed by the mayor of each city; Hardin County Sheriff; City of Elizabethtown Chief of Police; City of Elizabethtown Fire Chief; Representative from Hardin County Fire Chiefs Association appointed by President of said association; and a representative from the Hardin County Dispatch Service appointed by the Hardin County Jailer.

(b) Said Board shall meet quarterly and the chairman may call special meetings upon written notice delivered to the members at least seven (7) days prior to any special meeting.

(c) Said Board shall continuously monitor the procedures established for the operation of the "911" system and make recommendations to the Hardin County Fiscal Court for effective implementation of the emergency telephone system.

(d) Appointed representatives shall serve at the

SECTION FIVE. The provisions of this ordinance are severable. If any sentence, clause or section or part of this ordinance, or the application thereof is for any reason found to be unconstitutional or invalid, such unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not affect or repeal any of the remaining provisions, sentences, clauses or sections or parts of this ordinance.

SECTION SIX. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage and publication.

Introduced and publicly read on first reading on the 21 day of November 1988.

Publicly read and approved on second reading on this the 28th day of November 1988.

HARDIN COUNTY FISCAL COURT

BY: R.R. Thomas
R. R. Thomas,
Hardin County Judge/Executive

ATTEST:

David L. Logsdon
David Logsdon,
Fiscal Court Clerk