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February 4, 2021

Ms. Bertha Henry, County Administrator
Broward County Board of County Commissioners
115 South Andrews Avenue, Room 409
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

RE: P25 Communications System

Dear Ms. Henry: *BERTHA*

I am pleased to report that the Hollywood City Commission has provided consensus and direction to City staff to proceed with having Broward County construct the 16th tower for the P25 Public Safety Radio Communications System at the West Lake Park site. As the City migrates onto the existing 15-tower system, we recognize there is a time urgency due to both the dissolution of the current legacy system and the need for better coverage and penetration in the southeastern Broward County. I appreciate the efforts by City of Hollywood and Broward County staff to reach this point as we strive to provide residents in southeastern Broward County quality and reliable public safety. This also will ensure our first responders have a dependable radio communications system. Therefore, proceeding as soon as possible is desirable. Please provide a time estimate for installation of the 16th tower.

It continues to be the City's understanding from discussions with Broward County staff that the 16th tower is fully funded by Broward County and will come at no additional cost to the City. I kindly ask that you please confirm this.

If it is determined that a land swap is necessary to complete the 16th tower installation at the West Lake Park site, would it not be a more direct and cleaner process to have that swap occur between the City of Hollywood and Broward County? If you are open to considering that approach, the City would be happy to identify a comparable property for exchange to facilitate and expedite the process.

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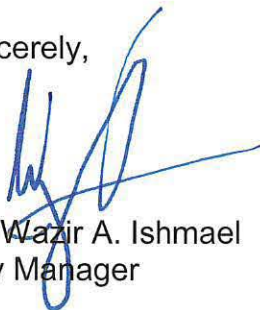
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Please let me know your thoughts and next steps. As always, the City of Hollywood stands ready to move forward as expeditiously as possible on this important public safety improvement initiative.

I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,



Dr. Wazir A. Ishmael
City Manager

cc: Mayor and Members of the City of Hollywood City Commission
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