

# **TOWN OF PARADISE VALLEY**

**Paradise Valley Police Department  
Alarm Monitoring Service Update**

**November 3, 2016**



# Key Questions

1. What direction do the Mayor and Town Council want to take the police alarm monitoring service?
2. Is there a business model that is acceptable to the Mayor and Town Council?



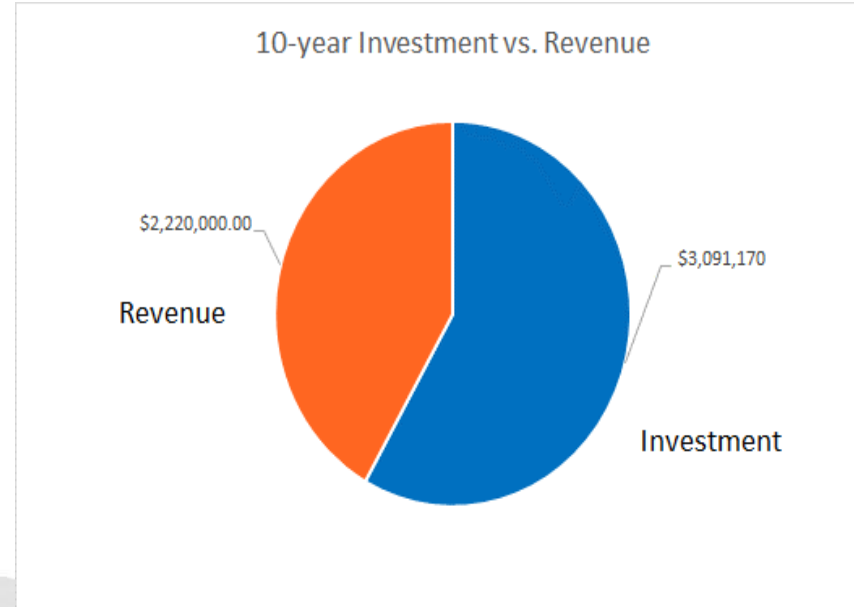
# Business Models



# Business Model #1: Best of all variables

- 12.5% rate increase (\$36.63 to \$40 average)
- 50% increase in net recruitment
- Requires at least \$308k capital infusion from General Fund over 10 years
- Net 10 year operating loss \$871k
- Loss offset by \$650k in Alarm Fund + \$308k capital infusion from General Fund

Increase from 350 to 575 subscribers



# Business Model #4: Gradual Termination Strategy

- Exit alarm monitoring at a date certain 120 to 180 days in future
- Monitoring service discontinuation
  - Letter to current subscribers
    - Timeline: Immediate upon Council direction
    - Outlining refund/rebate process and timeline
  - Certified letter to remaining
    - Timeline: Sixty days after initial letter informing subscribers of service discontinuation
    - Offering: notification of rebate/refund process and timeline
  - Final certified letter
    - Timeline: 45 days prior to discontinuation of service



# Business Model #4: Gradual Termination Strategy

- Refund/Rebate to current subscribers:
  - 12-months of subscriber fees if terminate 151-180 days before shutdown
  - 9-months of subscriber fees if terminate 121-150 days before shutdown
  - 6-months of subscriber fees if terminate 61-120 days before shutdown
  - No refund if termination less than 60 days before shutdown
- Reinvest remaining fund balance (estimated \$400k) per Council direction



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- **Goals of ASAP to PSAP**

- Reduce alarm processing time
- Improved accuracy
- Reduction of incoming non-emergency calls
- Reduction in dispatch created calls
- Continuity of service in disaster or high volume call events

- **Effect for Paradise Valley**

- Alarm response time will be reduced as processing time decreases
- Error elimination
- Reduction in call volume will increase efficiency in dispatch
- High volume call periods cause extended hold and entry times for all calls





# ASAP to PSAP

- **Limitations**

- CAD/RMS vendors waiting for increased agency demand
  - Some agencies early adopters
  - Most software companies just now finishing beta testing
- Unknown how many alarm vendors are ready to deploy
- Some protocols and standards still in flux
- Secure transmission of subscriber data adds to overhead
- Signals still need to be vetted by human or electronic process
- Only emergent signals can be sent to first responders
- Alarm panels designed to only send basic signal information



# ASAP to PSAP

Alarm vendor receives signal and looks up in database to get subscriber info



Alarm vendor determines if signal requires PD/Fire/EMS



Subscriber panel sends signal "017AF80"

ASAP to PSAP sends subscriber info and alarm to first responders

If needed, responding agency called and notified



First responders dispatched



# Can we charge vendors for ASAP to PSAP?

- Aid to law enforcement dispatch centers
  - Increase efficiency
  - Reduce voice calls
  - Increase automation
- Unknowns
  - If we charge, will vendors use ASAP to PSAP?
    - This aids all parties including the customer, the vendor and the dispatch center
  - Will vendors pass on ASAP to PSAP charge to customers?



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# Thank You

