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# PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: June 7, 2011 [X] Consent [ ] Regular [ ] Ordinance [ ] Public Hearing
Department: Department of Public Safety Submitted By: Department of Public Safety Submitted For: Division of Emergency Management
I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF
Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to: Receive and File an agreement with the Florida Department of Health, Palm Beach County Health Department pertaining to the use of the Geographic-based and NXT Alert and Notification System, "Dialogic".
<b>Summary:</b> The Board of County Commissioners, (BCC), approved on 08/16/05, Agenda Item 3X1 authorizing the County Administrator or his designee to sign Dialogic agreements with municipalities, county agencies, partner agencies and State of Florida Departments on behalf of the BCC utilizing a standard agreement format authorizing access to the County's Geographic-based and/or NXT, roster-based Alert and Notification System (Dialogic). <b>Countywide</b> (GB)
Background and Justification: The County's Dialogic System has been in place for over eight years and allows Palm Beach County agencies, municipalities, state and County Departments to access the system to make approximately 200,000,000 calls. It has been used for Amber Alerts, hurricane evacuations, boil water notices, etc. Many agencies have requested access to the system to provide specific notices and information to residents and professionals. The agreement has been created that will allow access on a secondary need to the County as long as the agency or municipality pays a proportioned fee for the System's maintenance. The agreement establishes the County's responsibilities and the agencies responsibilities in using the System. The County will retain ownership and management of the System.
Attachments:  1. Interlocal Agreement between Palm Beach County and Florida Department of Health, Palm Beach County Health Department
Recommended by: Wall Auch 5/9/1/ Department Director Date  Approved By: Wall Approved By: 5/9/1/ Assistant County Administrator Date

### II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

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#### INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS Section 163.01 of the Florida Statutes, known as the Florida Interlocal Cooperation Act of 1969, authorized local governmental units to make the most efficient use of their powers by enabling them to cooperate with other localities on a basis of mutual advantage and thereby to provide services and facilities in a manner and pursuant to forms of governmental organization that will accord best with geographic, economic, population and other factors influencing the needs and development of local communities, and

WHEREAS the COUNTY and the HEALTH DEPARTMENT are continually identifying more effective service delivery methods which result in overall savings to the taxpayers of the COUNTY and the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS the COUNTY has committed to purchase, install and operate a Dialogic Roster-based Notification Dialogic System("Dialogic System") that meets the needs of Palm Beach COUNTY Emergency Management and various Palm Beach COUNTY general government agencies and municipalities; and

WHEREAS the COUNTY and the HEALTH DEPARTMENT have determined that the ability to provide consistent, timely notifications to staff and associated personnel is critical to the effective and efficient provision of public safety and general government services; and

WHEREAS it has been determined mutually beneficial to all Parties to execute this Agreement which sets forth the parameters under which the HEALTH DEPARTMENT can directly access the COUNTY's Dialogic System, providing the taxpayers of both the COUNTY and the State of Florida the public safety benefit of consistent and timely roster-based alerts and notifications; and

WHEREAS Section 163.01, Florida Statutes, permits public agencies to enter into inter local agreements with each other to jointly exercise any power, privilege or authority which such agencies share in common and which each might exercise separately.

NOW THEREFORE in conjunction with the mutual covenants, promises and representations contained herein, the parties hereto agree as follows:

#### **SECTION 1: PURPOSE**

1.01 The purpose of this Agreement is to set forth the parameters under which the COUNTY will make access to its Dialogic System available to the HEALTH DEPARTMENT. This Agreement identifies the conditions of use, the cost of access and on-going use, and the ability of the HEALTH DEPARTMENT to participate in the operational decisions relating to the Dialogic System.

#### 1.02 Definitions

- 1.021 <u>Dialogic Alert</u>: A roster-based callout to alert staff and associated personnel of an imminent threat to life or property, or an instruction to take immediate protective action. An example of a Dialogic Alert would be an evacuation order.
- 1.022 <u>Dialogic Notification</u>: A roster-based callout to notify staff and associated personnel of important or useful information. An example of a Dialogic Notification would be a call notifying a citizen of a license expiration.
- 1.023 <u>Dialogic System</u>: The Dialogic System funded, purchased, installed, maintained, and owned by the COUNTY. The Dialogic Systemincludes a computer server, the CommunicatorNXT web software, multiple SQL databases, the Dialogic CommunicatorNXT server, 58 telephone lines, and 24 fax-enabled telephone lines.
- 1.024 <u>Dialogic System Administrator</u>: An employee with the Emergency Management Division of the COUNTY's Department of Public Safety responsible for day to day administration and management of the Dialogic System and the COUNTY's designated contact person pursuant to various sections of this Agreement.
- 1.025 <u>Agreement</u>: This Agreement, including any amendments or supplements hereto, executed and delivered in accordance with the terms hereof.

## SECTION 2: ADMINISTRATION OF THE COUNTY DIALOGIC SYSTEM AND USE PROCEDURES

2.01 The Palm Beach COUNTY Division of Emergency Management is responsible for administering the Dialogic system. Within the Emergency Management Division a position entitled "911 Specialist/Dialogic /Dialogic System Administrator" will be the HEALTH DEPARTMENT's day to day contact and can be reached at 561-712-6327. The Division of Emergency Management is staffed from 8:00am to 5:00pm, Monday through Friday, excluding COUNTY holidays. After hours emergency contact will be made through the Emergency Management Division's COUNTY Warning Point at 561-712-6428 and the COUNTY Warning Point will notify the on-call Emergency Management Division personnel.

2.02 The HEALTH DEPARTMENT shall follow all policies, procedures, and standard operating procedures in place at the time of this Agreement, as well as those developed in the future and issued to the HEALTH DEPARTMENT by the Dialogic System Administrator. The HEALTH DEPARTMENT agrees to comply with any enforcement actions required by these policies and procedures for misuse or abuse of the COUNTY Dialogic system.

## SECTION 3: DIALOGIC ROSTER-BASED ALERT AND NOTIFICATION DIALOGIC SYSTEM MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

- 3.01 The Dialogic System consists of a computer server, the Communicator NXT web software, multiple SQL databases, the Dialogic Communicator NXT server, 58 telephone lines, and 24 fax-enabled telephone lines.
- 3.02 The COUNTY will perform and coordinate routine and preventative maintenance on the Dialogic System according to its established procedures. This maintenance includes trouble shooting and making all repairs on a 24/7/365 basis as well as performing preventative maintenance on the entire Dialogic System including, but not limited to, server equipment and databases associated with the Dialogic System, but not including HEALTH DEPARTMENT equipment. COUNTY will coordinate with Dialogic Corp., the equipment and software Dialogic System proprietary entity, the maintenance and troubleshooting beyond the COUNTY's control and in the control of Dialogic Corp. as per the COUNTY/Dialogic Corp. maintenance agreement.

#### SECTION 4: HEALTH DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBILITIES AND EQUIPMENT

- 4.01 The HEALTH DEPARTMENT equipment will consist of a designated computer(s) connected to the Internet, each equipped with a web browser. The HEALTH DEPARTMENT shall be required to maintain its equipment in proper operating condition and ensure a functioning Internet connection to access the Dialogic system. The HEALTH DEPARTMENT shall be solely responsible for maintenance of its computers, web browsers, and Internet-connectivity.
- 4.02 Within 15 days of the execution of this Agreement, the HEALTH DEPARTMENT shall provide the COUNTY with a single HEALTH DEPARTMENT Representative in writing who shall be the HEALTH DEPARTMENT's single point of contact for matters relating to this Agreement.
- 4.03 Within 15 days of the execution of this Agreement, the HEALTH DEPARTMENT shall provide the COUNTY in writing with a list of person/positions who are authorized to utilize the Dialogic System on behalf of the HEALTH DEPARTMENT, under the authority of the HEALTH DEPARTMENT Representative.
- 4.04 The HEALTH DEPARTMENT shall receive certain access codes to the COUNTY's Dialogic System and shall be responsible for safe guarding the code information from release to unauthorized parties. The HEALTH DEPARTMENT shall be responsible for

notifying the Dialogic System Administrator prior to, or within 2 hours of terminating employees or commercial service providers which had knowledge of the access codes so that the access codes can be modified and the Dialogic System secured.

- 4.041 Service staff directly employed by the HEALTH DEPARTMENT shall be considered authorized to receive access codes for maintenance of the HEALTH DEPARTMENT's connection to the Dialogic system.
- 4.042 Commercial service providers are not considered authorized to receive access codes for the COUNTY dialogic system. Agencies or departments that plan to use commercial services for subscriber maintenance must include confidentiality requirements in their contracts with the commercial service providers. These requirements must be reviewed and approved (which approval will not unreasonably be withheld) by the Dialogic System Administrator and the COUNTY Attorney's Office prior to the HEALTH DEPARTMENT executing its contract with a commercial Dialogic System provider.
- 4.05 The HEALTH DEPARTMENT is solely responsible for the performance and operation of the HEALTH DEPARTMENT's equipment and any damages or liability resulting from the use thereof. Should the COUNTY identify malfunctioning HEALTH DEPARTMENT -owned equipment, the COUNTY will notify the HEALTH DEPARTMENT Representative and the HEALTH DEPARTMENT shall discontinue use of the specific equipment until repairs are completed. The COUNTY may, after proper notification, disable the connection of the equipment to the Dialogic System after properly notifying the HEALTH DEPARTMENT in writing if the equipment is causing problems with the Dialogic system.
- 4.06 Nothing in this Agreement shall represent a commitment by the COUNTY or shall be construed as intent by the COUNTY to fund any portion of the HEALTH DEPARTMENT's Equipment or Internet connectivity.

#### SECTION 5: DIALOGIC SYSTEM, ACCESS AND USAGE CHARGE

- 5.01 A one-time fee of \$3,000.00 (Three Thousand Dollars) has been paid to Dialogic Communications Corporation for creation of a database for the HEALTH DEPARTMENT.
- The HEALTH DEPARTMENT will be assessed an annual access and usage charge in the amount of \$6,000.00 (Six Thousand Dollars). The HEALTH DEPARTMENT may pay the three year annual access and usage fee in full (\$18,000-Eighteen thousand dollars) if that is the desired method of payment. The annual access and usage charge may be reviewed every three (3) years beginning May 2013 and adjusted for the following fiscal year by notice to the HEALTH DEPARTMENT by the COUNTY's Division of Emergency Management. This adjusted fee will be applicable for the upcoming fiscal year and will automatically become part of this Agreement on June 1<sup>st</sup> of the applicable year.

- 5.03 If the effective date of this Agreement is between June 1st and May 31st, the HEALTH DEPARTMENT will be charged pursuant to section 5.02. This charge will not be prorated.
- 5.04 The HEALTH DEPARTMENT agrees that in the event of any termination of the Agreement, the annual access and usage charge shall not be reimbursed.

#### **SECTION 6: BILLING SCHEDULE**

- 6.01 Each April 15<sup>th</sup>, the COUNTY will invoice the HEALTH DEPARTMENT for the annual access and usage charge, in the amount of the charge described in Section 5.02.
- 6.02 The HEALTH DEPARTMENT may pre-pay any or all of the annual access and usage fee for additional year(s) as defined in SECTION 5.02, at their discretion with written notice to the COUNTY'S Division of EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT of "INTENT to PAY", so that an invoice can be generated that will include the service date(s) of the contract.
- 6.03 Upon receipt of any invoice, the HEALTH DEPARTMENT will immediately review same and report any discrepancies to the COUNTY within 10 days of receipt. Payment will be due to the COUNTY within 30 days of receipt of the invoice. Payments shall be sent to:

Public Safety Department		
Finance Director		
20 S. Military Trail		
West Palm Beach, FL 33415		
Attn: Alert and Notification Interlocal Agreement #	, Invoice #	

#### **SECTION 7: COUNTY RESPONSIBILITIES**

- 7.01 The COUNTY shall be responsible for the maintenance and operation of the Dialogic system. The COUNTY shall notify the HEALTH DEPARTMENT Representative in advance of scheduled maintenance which impacts the users of the Dialogic System and shall respond to emergencies in the time frames and according to the procedures identified.
- 7.02 The COUNTY shall be responsible for all costs and fees associated with the operation of the Dialogic system.
- 7.03 The COUNTY shall be responsible for the management of all payments made pursuant to Section 5.
- 7.04 The COUNTY shall maintain access to the Dialogic System throughout the term of this Agreement except for times of scheduled preventative maintenance, where it will be

- required to disable access to the Dialogic System for a pre-determined length of time or during times of Dialogic System failures.
- 7.05 The COUNTY will provide notification of Dialogic System problems and time for Dialogic System restoration to the HEALTH DEPARTMENT Representative or designee if access to the Dialogic System will be inaccessible for more than two hours.

#### **SECTION 8: IMDEMNIFICATION AND LIABILITY**

8.01 Governmental Agencies:

Both the COUNTY, through its PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT, and the HEALTH DEPARTMENT, as state agencies or subdivisions of the state, as defined in Section 768.28, F.S. agrees to be fully responsible to the limits set forth in Section 768.28, F.S. for their own negligent acts which result in claims or suits against each party respectively and agrees to be liable to the limits set forth in Section 768.28, F.S., for any damages caused by said acts. Nothing herein shall be construed as a waiver of sovereign immunity by either the COUNTY, through its PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT or the HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

- 8.02 The COUNTY makes no representations about the design and capabilities of the COUNTY Dialogic System. The HEALTH DEPARTMENT has decided to enter into this Agreement and use the COUNTY's Dialogic System based on its review of the Dialogic System design, Dialogic System capability, manufacturing and install details contained in the COUNTY's contract with Dialogic Communications Corporation and subsequent testing data that may exist. The COUNTY agrees to use its best efforts to provide the HEALTH DEPARTMENT with the use of the Dialogic System described in this Agreement, but makes no guarantee as to the continual, uninterrupted use of the Dialogic Roster-based Alert and Notification Dialogic system, or its fitness for the alert and notification needs of the HEALTH DEPARTMENT.
- 8.03 Neither the COUNTY or the HEALTH DEPARTMENT shall be liable to each other and for any third party claim, which may arise out of the services provided hereunder or of the alert and notification Dialogic System itself, its operation or use, or its failure to operate as anticipated, upon whatever cause of action any claim is based. The Dialogic System is designed to assist qualified governmental and emergency service professionals. It is not intended to be a substitute for the exercise of judgment or supervision of those professionals.
- 8.04 The terms and conditions of this Agreement incorporate all the rights, responsibilities, and obligations of the parties to each other. The remedies provided herein are exclusive. The COUNTY and the HEALTH DEPARTMENT waive all remedies, including, but not limited to, consequential and incidental damages.

**SECTION 9: OWNERSHIP OF ASSETS** 

All assets and services maintained under **Section 4** of this Agreement will remain assets of the HEALTH DEPARTMENT at all times. Parts incorporated into assets owned by the HEALTH DEPARTMENT will immediately become a part of the asset and will be the property of the HEALTH DEPARTMENT. All other assets involved in the Dialogic System will remain the COUNTY's, despite the HEALTH DEPARTMENT's financial contribution to their maintenance, renewal and replacement.

#### SECTION 10: TERMS OF AGREEMENT AND AUTOMATIC RENEWAL

The initial term of this Agreement is for three (3) years and shall commence upon the date the Agreement is filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court as provided in Sec.17. Herein, after execution by all entities joining in the Agreement and the Board of COUNTY Commissioners. The Agreement will be automatically renewed for increments of three (3) year terms thereafter unless otherwise notified by the HEALTH DEPARTMENT and/or the COUNTY.

#### SECTION 11: AMENDMENTS TO THIS AGREEMENT

This Agreement may be amended from time to time by written amendment only executed by COUNTY and the HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

#### **SECTION 12: TERMINATION**

This Agreement may be terminated by either party with or without cause. Any termination shall be effective only on October 1<sup>st</sup> of any given year and shall be conditioned upon a minimum of six months notice.

#### **SECTION 13: ANNUAL BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS**

The COUNTY and HEALTH DEPARTMENT's performance and obligations for payment pursuant to this Agreement are contingent upon annual appropriation for its purpose by the COUNTY and the HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

#### **SECTION 14: NOTICES**

Any notice given pursuant to the terms of this Agreement shall be in writing and via Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested. The effective date of such notice shall be the date of receipt as evidenced by the Return Receipt. All notices shall be addressed to the following:

#### As to the COUNTY:

COUNTY Administrator 301 North Olive Avenue West Palm Beach, FL 33401 Director, Public Safety Department 20 S. Military Trail
West Palm Beach, FL 33415

With copy to:

Dialogic System Administrator 20 S. Military Trail
West Palm Beach, FL 33415

COUNTY Attorney's Office 301 North Olive Avenue
West Palm Beach, FL 33401

As to the HEALTH DEPARTMENT:

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#### SECTION 15: APPLICABLE LAW/ENFORCEMENT COSTS

This section shall be governed by the laws of the State of Florida.

#### SECTION 16: EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVISION

The COUNTY and the HEALTH DEPARTMENT agree that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, sex, national origin, disability, religion, ancestry, marital or familial status, gender identity and expression or sexual orientation be excluded from the benefits of, or be subjected to, any form of discrimination under any activity carried out by the performance of this Agreement.

#### **SECTION 17: FILING**

An executed copy of this Agreement shall be filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for Palm Beach COUNTY, Florida.

#### **SECTION 18: ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

This Agreement and any Exhibits attached hereto and forming a part thereof as if fully set forth herein, constitute all agreements, conditions, and understandings between the COUNTY and HEALTH DEPARTMENT concerning the Dialogic system. All representations, either oral or written, shall be deemed to be merged into this Agreement. Except as herein otherwise provided, no subsequent alteration, waiver, change or addition

to this Agreement shall be binding upon COUNTY or HEALTH DEPARTMENT unless reduced to writing and signed by them.

#### **SECTION 19: DELEGATION OF DUTY**

Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to authorize the delegation of the Constitutional or Statutory duties of COUNTY or HEALTH DEPARTMENT officers.

#### **SECTION 20: ACCESS AND AUDITS**

Palm Beach County has established the Office of the Inspector General in Ordinance 2009-049, as may be amended, which is authorized and empowered to review past, present and proposed County contracts, transactions, accounts and records. The Inspector General has the power to subpoena witnesses, administer oaths and require the production of records, and audit, investigate, monitor and inspect the activities of the HEALTH DEPARTMENT, its officers, agents, employees, and lobbyists in order to ensure compliance with contract requirements and detect corruption and fraud.

Failure to cooperate with the Inspector General or interference or impeding any investigation shall be in violation of Ordinance 2009-049, and punished pursuant to Section 125.69, Florida Statutes, in the same manner as a second degree misdemeanor.

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties have caused this Agreement to be executed on the day and year first above written.

PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Assistant County Administrator and

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Director of Public Safety

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County Attorney

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Health Department Attorney

APPROVED AS TO TERMS AND

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF

HEALTH, PALM BEACH COUNTY

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

By:

Alina Alonso, M.D.

Director of Health Department