

ORDINANCE NO. 21-855

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF CLARKSVILLE, STATE OF ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO BE ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING PROPORTIONATE COST SHARE FOR 911 SERVICES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY."

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Clarksville is desirous of TRANSITIONING THE City Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) to a consolidated (PSAP) with Johnson County pursuant to Ark Code Annotated §12-10-301 et. Seq.; and

WHEREAS, Act 660 of the Arkansas Legislature directs that by January 1, 2022 funding will be available for no more than 77 PSAP's within the State; and

WHEREAS, consolidation of the City PSAP with the County PSAP's will greatly enhance public safety and security, as well as, provide for an avenue of lowering fire protection classifications and insurance premiums for all city residents; and

WHEREAS, the city recognizes the potential shortfall in funding of the consolidated PSAP and acknowledges the financial responsibility of the City. The City of Clarksville acknowledges and supports a cost share requirement not to exceed 60% of the fixed cost between 911 tax-based revenues and actual expense of operating the PSAP.

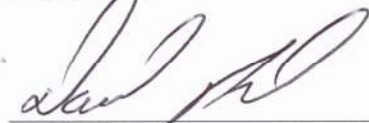
NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Clarksville, Arkansas:

- SECTION 1: Consolidation of the City PSAP is in the best interest of all City residents and is approved.
- SECTION 2: The city of Clarksville will maintain three positions on the 911 Advisory board consisting of one position provided by a delegate of the Clarksville City Council, the Clarksville Police Chief, and the Clarksville Fire Department.
- SECTION 3: The City of Clarksville shall appropriate and provide 60% of the fixed costs between 911 tax-based revenues and actual expense of operating the PSAP.
- SECTION 4: Capital improvements funds of \$20,000.00 will be appropriated and provided by the City for capital improvements of the PSAP in a separate fund maintained by the Clarksville City Clerk.
- SECTION 5: The Mayor shall be empowered and authorized to undertake such actions necessary to effectuate the provisions of this ordinance, including entering into agreement with Johnson County and other local political subdivisions in furtherance of consolidating and operating the PSAP.

This ordinance being necessary for the public peace, health, and safety of the citizens of Clarksville, Arkansas, an emergency is declared and this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval.

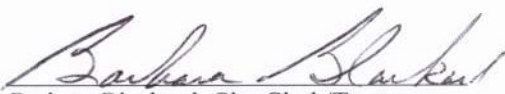
PASSED this 19th day of January, 2021.

APPROVED:



David Rieder, Mayor

ATTEST:



Barbara Blackard, City Clerk/Treasurer