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MEMORANDUM

TO: Rebecca Grill, City Administrator
FROM: Tony Warkoczewski, IT Director
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SUBJECT: West Allis Leveraging the Verizon Priority Network

Ever since September 11, 2001, wireless network firms have been working to provide a priority service that first responders can use that places their cellular/data requests above all others.

Verizon is the wireless network provider for the City of West Allis. The IT Department reached out to Verizon, and the two parties have agreed to place our Public Safety* wireless devices (smart phones, tablets, modems) into the Verizon Priority Network. There is no additional charge to the City for us to take advantage of this program. We hope to have these changes processed by year end.

***Public Safety** includes all of the mobile devices used by the Police and Fire Departments, as well leaders throughout the City that would play a role in an emergency response event.

As always, let me know if you have any questions,