Resolution No. 2009 -

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TATUM IN SUPPORT OF ADDING A SECONDARY PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT (PSAP) IN LONGVIEW AT CHAMPION EMS HEADQUARTERS.

Whereas, the City of Tatum is committed to providing the most efficient and effective means of delivering 9-1-1 service to all its citizens, and

Whereas, the City of Tatum has a population of more than 1,200 citizens and receives an average of 300 EMS calls annually.

Whereas, the City of Tatum must forward calls to Champion EMS via a 10-digit number, and

Whereas, the East Texas Council of Governments (ETCOG) has unanimously approved this request for Champion EMS to establish itself as a Secondary PSAP (See attachment - ETCOG Executive Committee Meeting Minutes, page 8), and

Whereas, all costs associated with this request will be the sole responsibility of Champion EMS, and

Whereas, 9-1-1 calls originating within the 9-1-1 PSAP will be presented to Champion EMS on 9-1-1 equipment thus allowing for immediate pre-arrival instructions to caller, and reduced response times to medical emergencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TATUM, RUSK COUNTY, TEXAS, THAT:

Section 1. <u>Findings</u> – The following recitals are hereby found to be true and correct and are hereby adopted by the City Council and made a part hereof for all purposes as findings of fact.

Section 2. <u>Support for Champion EMS PSAP</u> – The City of Tatum supports the unanimous decision by the East Texas Council of Governments by allowing Champion EMS to establish itself as an EMD and Back Up PSAP and install 9-1-1 equipment in its established Communications Center and connectivity to the 9-1-1 Network.

Section 3. <u>Effective Date</u> – This resolution shall take effect from and after the date of its passage as authorized by the Charter of the City of Tatum.

Section 4. Open Meetings – That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Resolution is passed was open to the public as required and that public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Local Government Code.

| FINALLY PASSED AND APPROVED on this the \(\frac{1}{2}\) | th day of Ougust, 2009. |
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| ATTEST: | THE CITY OF TATUM, TEXAS |
| City Secretary or Designee | Mayor Mayor |