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Subject: RE: Meeting w/ Mayor next Monday - Budget should be on agenda

Siren Talking Points:

Current cost estimate given to the Capital Planning committee is \$8M to begin a rollout of the **Outdoor Public Warning System**

- DT did an assessment on all existing (qty. 119) siren locations, and determined that all **system** components need to be replaced
- Cost estimate (\$8M) is based on installing 35 new sirens in total, including vendor software and hardware to integrate the sirens, as well as DT labor to remove the old and reinstall the new sirens
- The vendor solution was based on using the City's 800MHz radio **system** as a highly secure, resilient backbone – and was explored as the most time efficient way to purchase the **system**
- The anticipated amount of time to order, install and integrate this new solution is 18 months.

Because of high costs and length of time, DEM now recommending an Request for Information (RFI) Process to:

1. determine if there are other technologies in the marketplace that can provide **Outdoor Public Warning** – in a timelier and cost-effective manner
2. Understand the other vendors that are in the market – and the solutions they provide
3. Anticipated timeline to go through the RFI process is 8-9 months.

I know Will would like to know if we should remove the OPWS from the slide deck for CPC...