

ORDINANCE 98- 17

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN ENHANCED 911 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SERVICE WITHIN THE CITY OF RUSSELLVILLE, KENTUCKY

WHEREAS, KRS 65.760 provides for the establishment of a 911 emergency telephone service for cities, counties and urban government, and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Russellville, Kentucky, determined that it is in the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Russellville, Kentucky, to establish a 911 emergency telephone system managed and operated by the City, and

WHEREAS, KRS 65.760(3) authorizes local government to establish fees to be paid by the general public as telephone users to pay the costs of establishing and maintaining emergency telephone service,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Russellville, Kentucky, that:

SECTION I

1. There is hereby established a safety answering service to provide a single telephone number for emergency response services within the City of Russellville, Kentucky, the Local area, which service shall be known as "911".
2. The local area to be served by the service established hereby shall be defined by the city limits or borders of the City of Russellville, Kentucky, as they now exist and by any and all extensions thereof in the future.

SECTION II

The City of Russellville, Kentucky, by and through its Mayor, is hereby authorized and empowered to enter into appropriate agreements with BellSouth Telephone Company to provide for the implementation, construction, and continued maintenance of the 911 emergency telephone service within the local area.

SECTION III

1. There has been established a fee of two dollars (\$2.00) per month for each telephone exchange subscriber as a special tax paid by each telephone exchange subscribed in the local area on an individual exchange line basis, however, no subscriber shall be charged this fee for lines in excess of twenty-five exchange lines, and this fee shall continue in effect pursuant to this ordinance.
2. BellSouth Telephone Company shall collect the fee mentioned in numerical paragraph

1 of this Section from its subscribers and remit said fees to the City of Russellville, Kentucky. The telephone company shall be entitled to a reasonable fee for collecting this fee.

SECTION IV

The provisions of this ordinance are severable, and should any word, sentence, clause, section or part, or the application thereof be found to be unconstitutional or invalid, such finding shall not affect or repeal any other word, sentence, clause, section or part of this ordinance or its application.

SECTION V

Any and all ordinances of the City of Russellville, Kentucky, or any part or parts thereof in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

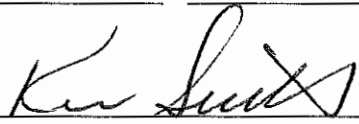
SECTION VI

This ordinance shall be effective upon its passage and publication according to law.

FIRST READING CONDUCTED on November 17th, 1998.

SECOND READING and passage by roll call vote this 8th day of December, 1998.

AYES:	NAYS:	ABSTAINING	ABSENT
<u>Willie Hampton</u>	<u>Russell Jones</u>	<u>None</u>	<u>None</u>
<u>Ken Barrett</u>	_____	_____	_____
<u>Howard Wren</u>	_____	_____	_____
<u>Jean Hankins</u>	_____	_____	_____
<u>Morrish Kesselbough</u>	_____	_____	_____
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KEN SMITH, MAYOR

ATTEST:


PEGGY JENKINS, CITY CLERK