



**CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

*ADMINISTRATION*

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Bruce K. Walden, Chief Administrative Officer  
**FROM:** William R. Gray, P. E., Public Works Director  
**DATE:** July 19, 2002  
**RE:** **IDOT Resolution to Establish Signage on I-74**

**INTRODUCTION**

After the April 19, 1996 tornado that struck Urbana, we received a FEMA grant to cover our emergency response and cleanup costs. We also received funding to upgrade our entire emergency warning (sirens) system which included the installation of a local AM radio station that could be used to broadcast emergency and non-emergency messages with coverage throughout Urbana and most of Champaign (ten-mile radius coverage). This station currently broadcasts NOAA weather reports. In an effort to expand this radio station's capabilities during non-emergency events, staff believes it is desirable to broadcast community/tourism information.

The Illinois Department of Transportation will install, on eastbound and westbound I-74, signs informing motorists to tune to AM 530 for local weather and community/tourism information. The Illinois Department of Transportation requires, prior to installation, two resolutions: one that indicates tourism information and the other indicates emergency broadcast information, both on AM 530.

The Urbana Business Association is very supportive of this effort as it is in keeping with its mission to promote Urbana.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the attached two resolutions be approved.

WRG:klf

**Attachments:** IDOT Agreement  
Two Resolutions



# Illinois Department of Transportation

Division of Highways / District 5  
13473 IL Highway 133 / P.O. Box 610 / Paris, Illinois / 61944  
Telephone 217/465-4181

**OTO-1-B Champaign  
County**

**June 11, 2002**

**Mr. Jim Kelly City of Urbana  
Department of Public Works  
706 South Glover Avenue  
Urbana, Illinois 61801**

**Dear Mr. Kelly:**

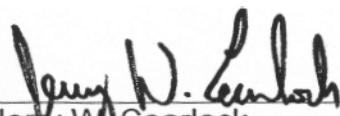
**Enclosed is a fully executed copy of the Tourist Information Radio Station agreement between the City of Urbana and the State of Illinois. Please supply this office with copies of the resolutions approved by the City Council to operate this station in accordance with the agreement. The signs should be erected during early August.**

**If you have any questions, please contact our Traffic Operations Technician, Mr. Charles E. McDaniel, of this office.**

**Sincerely,**

**D. Clark**

**District Engineer**

By   
Jerry W. Cearlock  
Engineer of Operations

**CEM:jr  
Encl.**

AGREEMENT

(Typical)

This Agreement is entered into between the State of Illinois, acting through its Department of Transportation, hereinafter referred to as the STATE and the City of Urbana, hereinafter referred to as the (CITY).

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the (CITY) desires to operate a Tourist Information Radio Station designed to serve motorists traveling along Interstate 74, between mile stations \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_; (or other appropriate location description) West of exit 183 and East of exit 185 and North of 2500N on RT 45 WHEREAS, the (CITY) has applied for and obtained a station on a frequency of (530 kHz) under 47CRF Ch. 1, Pars. 90.17 and 90.242, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 1;

WHEREAS, the (CITY) will install said station at the location shown on Exhibit 1 ; and

WHEREAS, the (CITY) desires to have official highway signs installed by the STATE informing motorists of said stations.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and mutual covenants contained herein, the parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1) The STATE shall erect and maintain at its expense, signs along 174 & RT 45 advising motorists of said station. When such signs are installed, information concerning the station will not be installed on other directional or information signs.
- 2) The (CITY) shall pass a resolution indicating its intent to operate at its expense said station 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, except for periods of maintenance in accordance with applicable FCC regulations. -
- 3) The (CITY) shall also, by resolution, allow the STATE, at no expense, to insert information over said station in the event of an emergency or when necessary because of major highway construction in the area.

This AGREEMENT shall remain in effect for (1) a period of (twenty years) from the date of its execution, or (2) so long as said station remains in operation in conformance with applicable FCC regulations, whichever of (1) or (2) is the shorter period of time unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the parties hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the STATE and the (CITY) hereto have caused this AGREEMENT to be made, effective and executed by their respective duly authorized officials.

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (CITY OF) Urbana

By:  District Engineer

Date., 6/3, ~~2001~~ 2002, 5/15/02, ~~2001~~ 2002

# RADIO STATION LICENSE

Licensee Name: URBANA, CITY OF

Radio Service: PW CONVENTIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY POOL

License Issue Date: 06/30/1998

License Expiration Date: 06/30/2003

Call Sign: WPMF433

File Number: 9803D104842

Pagers\*\*\*\*\*

980630N 325 1 1Z

URBANA, CITY OF  
GLENN BERMAN  
400 S VINE ST URBANA IL 61801

## REGULATORY STATUS: PMRS Station Technical Specifications

| FCC I.D. | Frequencies (MHz) | Station Class | No. Of Units | Emission Designator | Output Power (Watts) | E.R.P. (Watts) | Ground Eleva | Ant. Hgt. To Tip | Antenna Latitude | Antenna Longitude |
|----------|-------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------|--------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| A:       | .53000            | FB            | 1            | 6K00A3E             | 10_000               | 10.000         | 224<br>HAAT  | 11<br>0          | 40-06-36         | 088-11-04         |

| TRANSMITTER STREET ADDRESS | CITY   | COUNTY    | STATE |
|----------------------------|--------|-----------|-------|
| A: 502 S LIERMAN           | URBANA | CHAMPAIGN | IL    |

CONTROL POINTS: 400 S VINE ST URBANA IL

CONTROL POINT PHONE: 217-384-2362

SPECIAL COND: SEE ATTACHED #39

The latitude/longitude are authorized in North American Datum 1927 (NAD27) additionally, the antenna: height to tip, ground elevation, AAT and area operation units are authorized in metric.

EMISSION DESIGNATOR(S) CONVERTED TO CONFORM TO DESIGNATOR(S)  
SET OUT IN PART 2 OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES.

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This authorization becomes invalid and must be returned to the Commission if the stations are not placed in operation within eight months, unless an extension of time has been granted. EXCEPTIONS: 1) 800 MHz trunked and certain 900 MHz station licenses cancel automatically if not constructed within 1 year 2) IVDS authorizations automatically cancel if service is not made available in accordance with Section 95.833(x) of the Commission's Rules 31 There are no time limitations for placing GMRS stations in operation.

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-07-024R

A RESOLUTION REGARDING EMERGENCY USE OF URBANA  
TOURIST INFORMATION RADIO STATIONS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS, that the City of Urbana, Illinois will allow the State of Illinois, acting through its Department of Transportation, at no expense, to insert information over the Tourist Information Radio Station that is the subject of City of Urbana Resolution No. 2002-07-025R in the event of an emergency or when necessary because of major highway construction in the area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS, that the signing of an agreement by the Mayor with the Illinois Department of Transportation, expressing the City's intent and permitting the State's access to the radio station as set forth in this resolution is hereby authorized and/or ratified.

PASSED by the City Council this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSTAINS:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

APPROVED by the Mayor this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_.

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Tod Satterthwaite, Mayor