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To: Finance Ways & Means Committee

Date: October 9, 2025

Re: Visa Credit Limit Increase Request

Commissioners:

I am requesting a review of 911's new Visa credit limit.

We had a \$5,000 limit with our previous AAACU card and we now have \$1,000 on the HPCCU card. I am requesting a reinstatement of the previous \$5,000 credit limit. that we managed appropriately.

We don't use \$1,000 on a regular basis; however, there are times when we need to make quick purchases or have team members traveling for training and \$1,000 isn't sufficient. For example, we recently found our radio headsets on sale; we ordered 4 headsets and 4 rechargeable wands. The invoice was \$3,896.46 for just those 8 items. It is important to be able to make these proactive purchases because, for example, when a headset quits, it just quits. We are pleased to have a necessary supply of spares and made the purchase at a good price.

There were two separate months this year when our bill was over \$1,000; one was due to travel for dispatcher training and the other was the radio headsets/wands. Our lowest bill was zero in January 2025 (December 2024 activity); our average bill per month in 2025 has been \$1,020.22.

Thank you for your consideration of my request.

Sincerely,

Kim Elkie
Kim Elkie
Director

