

# Police Radio Setup Must Be Changed Under FCC Order

## \$200,000 Needed To Convert Station, City's Service Autos

Cincinnati's police radio system WKDU must be completely converted by 1951 at an estimated cost of \$200,000, it was disclosed Thursday.

Plans were outlined to City Manager Kellogg by C. S. Jones, superintendent, communications division, who said the change is necessary under a Federal Communications Commission order.

After 1951, FCC has ruled, radio emergency channels used by police and fire departments, will be shifted from the 30-to-40 megacycle band to the 152-162 megacycle band. All cities will be affected.

The conversion will involve removal of Police Station X to the Eden Water Tower from the old waterworks pumping station at the Eden Park reservoir.

Mr. Jones asked a preliminary appropriation of \$10,000 to buy and install a new transmitter and antenna.

Before the deadline, new two-way radio equipment must be bought for 200 police cars and other municipal vehicles.

Cost of equipping the police cars was estimated at \$100,000, that of installations in fire, highway maintenance and other cars at \$90,000.

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