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CHARLESTON, IL--Eastern Illinois University has given 16 VHF radio units to the city of Charleston. Two units have been kept by the Buildings and Grounds Department at Eastern and will be converted to the city's maintenance frequency.

Dr. George Miller, Vice President for Administration and Finance, said the action was taken because "radio communications between city and campus personnel will facilitate the coordination of such things as snow removal and water system repairs."

The units became surplus when the Buildings and Grounds Department converted to UHF operations in line with a statewide communication standards plan placing all state university radio systems on the same UHF frequencies.

The State Property Control Division of the Central Management Service authorized the transfer of the equipment to the city at the request of Eastern.

Miller said "the University and the City work cooperatively on a number of projects and operations. Transfer of the surplus property (which also includes the base station and recharging units) to the City is but one example of this cooperation."

In an earlier communication to Miller, Mayor Bob Hickman said the equipment "will greatly improve coordination of public works activities of the City."

Miller said he did not know the current value of the units and related equipment, but that the replacement cost would exceed \$23,000.

Wayne Lanman, Commissioner for Streets and Public Improvements, accepted the radios on behalf of the city.

CAPTION

Commissioner Wayne Lanman, left, accepts two of the 16 radios from Dr. George Miller, Vice President for Administration and Finance.