



Board of Directors MEETING MINUTES

LOS ANGELES REGIONAL
INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AUTHORITY

AUGUST 2, 2012

Grace E. Simons Lodge
1025 Elysian Park Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Board Members Present:

William "Bill" T Fujioka Chair, CEO, County of Los Angeles
Miguel Santana, CAO, City of Los Angeles
Brian Cummings, Fire Chief, City of Los Angeles Fire Department
Leroy "Lee" D. Baca, Sheriff, County of Los Angeles
Reginald "Reggie" Harrison, Deputy City Manager, City of Long Beach
Timothy Scranton, Fire Chief, City of Beverly Hills, representing the Los Angeles Area Fire Chiefs Association
Scott Pickwith, Police Chief, City of La Verne, representing the Los Angeles County Police Chiefs Association
Mark R. Alexander, City Manager, City of La Cañada Flintridge, representing the Contract Cities Association
LeRoy J. Jackson, City Manager, City of Torrance, representing At Large Seat
Gregory "Greg" L. Simay, Assistant General Manager, City of Burbank Water & Power, representing At Large Seat
Kim Raney, Police Chief, City of Covina, representing At Large Seat

Representatives For Board Members Present:

Maggie Goodrich, representing Charles "Charlie" L. Beck, Vice Chair, for the City of Los Angeles Police Department
June Gibson, representing Gerry Miller, for the City of Los Angeles Chief Information Office
Mark J. Bennett, representing Daryl L. Osby, for the County of Los Angeles Fire Department
David Betkey, representing, Leroy "Lee" D. Baca, for the County of Los Angeles Sheriff Department
Cathy Chidester, representing Dr. Mitchell H. Katz, for the County of Los Angeles Department of Health Services
Nancy L. Ramirez, representing Steven K. "Steve" Zipperman, for the Los Angeles School Police Department
David Betkey, representing, Leroy "Lee" D. Baca, for the County of Los Angeles Sheriff Department during voting period of this meeting

Officers Present:

Pat Mallon, LA-RICS Executive Director
Patricia Saucedo, Board Secretary

Absent:

Rachelle Anema, representing Wendy L. Watanabe, Auditor-Controller, County of Los Angeles
Mark J. Saladino, Treasurer and Tax Collector, County of Los Angeles

AGENDA ITEM 1



I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ANNOUNCE QUORUM – Roll Call

Chair Bill Fujioka made an acknowledgement that a quorum was present.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – (1)

1. July 11, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes – **MOTION APPROVED.**

IV. CONSENT CALENDAR – (None)

V. REPORTS (2–4)

2. Committee Reports

a. Finance Committee – Stephen Sotomayor

Stephen Sotomayor, Finance Committee Chair informed the Board that the Finance Committee met on July 26, 2012. They plan to have a subcommittee meeting between now and the August meeting to continue to explore project phasing. For the upcoming meeting in August, the Finance Committee will also discuss the funding plan.

Board Member Jackson stated that if the Board was to consider the option of an addendum to the current RFP, he would request an executive session before that discussion. Chair Fujioka stated that they will go through the reports and before considering Item #5, the Board will go into closed session.

b. Legislative Committee – No Report

c. Joint Operations and Technical Committees – Chief Kevin Nida

Technical Committee Chair Chief Kevin Nida reported that on July 24, 2012, the Joint Operations and Technical Committees Meeting received the Jacobs Report on the feasibility of a hybrid system. Based on the hybrid feasibility study, it was determined that it is conceptually feasible if technical and operations requirements are met and sufficient 700-spectrum is available. A motion on the feasibility of a hybrid system, if technical and operations requirements are met and sufficient 700-spectrum is available, was considered and approved by both committees.

Board Member Jackson asked if the conclusion the hybrid system advisable? Chief Nida stated that the question considered was whether it was feasible. It was feasible. He added that based on the H.R. 3630, they have to look at all the options and the hybrid approach is a good option. However, they do have to work through technical and operational issues of any hybrid design.

Board Member Raney asked for the votes in the committees. Chief Nida stated that the Operations Committee was unanimous; and the Technical Committee had one "No" vote. The rest were "Yes" votes. He added there were approximately 12 to 14 members of each committee present and that it was overwhelmingly positive for a hybrid with the caveat that they have to continue to look at operational and technical issues throughout the process and making sure that needs are met.



Board Member Simay stated that what he heard from some of the Technical people was they were concerned that the assumptions used in the propagation model were flawed, that more than 78 sites would be required and that there would be severe capacity issues. He expressed concern that this is being driven by H.R. 3630 and the legislation is likely to be modified in a manner that is not going to force a premature abandonment of the T-Band. Board Member Simay asked how the hybrid proposal would stack up if H.R. 3630 did not exist. Would we be looking at this at all?

Chief Nida stated that it was a feasibility study only; they never got deep enough to determine what some of the technical and operational concerns were. There is a lot more to do to make sure it continues to be a good option. He explained that there has always been 700 and 800 in the region and he does not want to speculate if H.R. 3630 did not pass, because it is now the law. Chief Nida stated that we have to look at the hybrid system approach and give the Board all the options possible.

Chair Fujioka stated that the County DC office has tracked this closely and has not seen momentum to change the law. It is law right now. He stated that we need to collect as much information right now to know in what direction to move forward.

Board Member Santana asked if the option was looked upon as a permanent option or a transitional solution. Chief Nida stated that it could be considered either way. If there was 700 MHz in the design and the law did change, it could go one way or the other. He explained that it provides flexibility so we have all options open.

Board Member Santana asked if there was any consideration of cost?

Chief Nida stated that the Jacobs Report presented to the Technical and Operations Committees and to this JPA indicated that there will be about \$160M of potential waste if we do the project twice. So we want to make sure we do it once and correctly.

Board Member Harrison asked if other regions have a hybrid approach.

Chief Nida stated that Jacobs indicated that there are other regions that have looked at a hybrid approach, but he does not know the cities. He added that LA County is in hybrid approach right now, because there are agencies on 800MHz, on UHF T-Band, non T-Band, VHF and even Lo-Band, the County has been a hybrid approach for 30 to 40 years.

Board Member Harrison asked if without action from the federal government, would agencies need to make some decisions in terms of where they are operating now and where we going with LA-RICS in the future?

Chief Nida agreed and added that part of the process from the very beginning, even back to 2002, was a multi-band approach from mutual aid.

Board Member Pickwith asked for clarification on whether the Technical or Operational Committees had a chance to extensively go through the issues.

Chief Nida stated that what they did was to be as transparent as possible is that they had members from the Operations and Technical Committees who wanted to come in the week prior to the meeting, came in on two-days to sit and review the documents with Jacobs because there is confidential information. They signed NDAs and were given as much time as they deemed necessary.



Chief Nida added that there was a working group meeting the Monday prior to the Joint Committee meeting and then the committee meeting. He stated that he believed Jacobs proved their work, they showed the math, they showed formulas and it is technically feasible, provided that we continue to look at the technical and operational requirements and we meet those to include sufficient 700MHz spectrum.

Board Member Pickwith asked if it was conceptually or technically feasible?

Chief Nida stated that it is both. It just depends on how much spectrum is available and how the system is designed.

Board Member Jackson asked for a comparison matrix and what he received is not quite what he wanted. He stated that he was still confused as to what the difference between the current proposal and the hybrid plan is. He wanted to know what the Board has to do to tweak the system to make it viable and functional.

Chief Nida stated that the largest change would be the increased number of sites required.

Board Member Jackson stated that he does not want to go through it orally, rather to come back with a matrix to show the two systems side by side as to how and what are the tweaks and changes are between the two. Chief Nida agreed.

Board Member Raney asked if the Technical Committee Members were asked if this was advisable?

Chief Nida stated that they were not asked if they were advisable, they were asked if it were technically feasible. He stated that he could go back and ask that question, but right now this is what was provided.

Board Member Alexander stated that the Committee said it was technically feasible, but did they say it was technically preferable?

Chief Nida stated that we are not at that point yet, we are at the very beginning and we have a long way to go.

3. Director's Report – Pat Mallon

Executive Director Mallon informed the Board that he has had conversations with the California Technology Agency. He met with Director Karen Wong this past Friday, and they have a meeting pending in August to meet with the public safety agencies that CTA coordinates communications for all state agencies. He is specifically looking to include California State agencies that may consider participation in the LA-RICS operation. Executive Director Mallon introduced Sue Plantz, Deputy Director of the California Technology Agency to the Board and informed the Board that he has encouraged CTA to attend future Board meetings.

Executive Director Mallon added that he is also having conversations with the Federal Department of Justice. Their agencies are as spread across the spectrum band as our local agencies. He informed the Board that the discussions involve having with them to participate in LA-RICS as subscribers, including FBI, ATF, ICE and US Marshals.

Executive Director Mallon stated that he received an invitation from Assemblywoman Bonnie Lowenthal, author of AB 946, allowing LA-RICS to move forward as a turnkey procurement, to participate in a joint legislative committee on emergency management this coming Monday.



Executive Director Mallon informed the Board that the FCC made a decision in regards to the D-Block. FCC will not be extending any of the spectrum leases and the LA-RICS lease ends on September 2, 2012. The lease will not be renewed. The FCC's announcement indicated that two LTE BTOP projects, in Charlotte and in Texas, will be allowed to move forward because they already have their equipment in warehouses.

Executive Director Mallon stated that at the last meeting, Board Member Raney asked if secondary responders were considered in the Jacobs Hybrid Study. He had answered yes and that is incorrect. The secondary responders were not included in with the hybrid study. However secondary responders have been in the forefront of the conversation and as we move forward, they will be considered in any system procurement.

Executive Director Mallon informed the Board that LA-RICS has been participating in a NPSTC (National Public Safety Telecommunications Council) Committee on broadband and the development of a statement of requirements. He stated that he is also participating on the NPSTC T-Band Working Group. He explained that at the last meeting, he informed the Board that there are eleven jurisdictions that are currently operating public safety agencies on a T-Band. LA-RICS asked to provide the pilot information on a T-Band spectrum study. The request was for information from LA County and LA City. He stated that he would have to assemble information from the other members of the Authority.

Board Member Baca stated that he had a conversation with the Commissioner of the Highway Patrol at the request of this Board in the last meeting to find out whether or not they would be part of this LA-RICS system. Board Member Baca stated that the Commission was very interested, and that he would suggest that perhaps Pat Mallon and a member of his staff follow up and be prepared to find who the technical equivalent is in the Highway Patrol.

Executive Director Mallon stated that he has the name of the CHP Chief Information Officer and will be contacting him this week and they were also scheduled to be in attendance at the August meeting of CTA.

Board Member Simay asked if staff was preparing a modification of H.R. 3630, at least to delay in the deadline to 2021 or 2022.

Executive Director Mallon stated that they have not. If the direction of the Board is to do that, we will work with our legislative representatives and present it to the Legislative Committee for their consideration.

Board Member Simay asked if the Executive Director had internal discussions as to what might be the best way to proceed legislatively?

Executive Director Mallon stated that he had discussions with LA County representatives in Washington DC, as well as the Authority's Counsel and their initial response was that any modification to H.R. 3630 will not occur for some period of time.

4. Grant Status Report – Pat Mallon

BTOP Grant - Executive Director Mallon reported that a grant modification was due yesterday. The anticipated modification would include a reduction in the match from 29% to 20%. LA-RICS requested and received the two-week extension to allow the inclusions of specific site evaluation



information which has been finalized by Jacobs. That grant modification request is now due on August 15, 2012. In the interim, per the NTIA's direction, LA-RICS has continued suspension of activity on the LTE equipment, totaling \$70.5M.

Board Member Jackson stated that his understanding is that the UASI Grants are on hold right now. While we have deadlines, there is a strong indication from the Feds that they will extend those deadlines given the change in the environment.

Executive Director Mallon stated that according to information that Deputy Mayor Eileen Decker presented to the Independent City Managers meeting last month, the City Mayor's Office has been working with Cal-EMA, as well as Department of Homeland Security, on the extension of UASI 09. Both agencies recognized the impact of H.R. 3630. He explained that they have temporarily suspended any actions to take those funds back until LA-RICS can provide them with a path forward, as well as a schedule.

VII. CLOSED SESSION (out of sequence)

6. POSSIBLE Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation (Subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9.

- a. Significant exposure to litigation (one case)

Chair Fujioka took Item 6 prior to Item 5 per the request of Board Member Jackson that the Board hold the agendaized possible closed session prior to Item 5.

REPORT – Chair Fujioka stated that there was nothing to report from the Closed Session.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS (out of sequence)

Chair Fujioka then entertained speaker cards for Item 5 before the Board's consideration of the item.

Don Wright representing ICIS:

Mr. Wright stated that he would like to talk about H.R. 3630 and specifically the issues of T-Band. He discussed a study conducted in 2005 by RCC regarding a look at the inventory of frequencies that were available and the feasibility and practicality of building a regional public safety network here in the greater Los Angeles area. The conclusions to that report were that the most adequate amount of frequencies and the appropriate place to build such a system would be at UHF. He explained that there is a huge inventory of UHF frequencies available currently in the Los Angeles area based upon the release of T-Band for public safety. A rough count is over 600 channels available. He expressed concern that moving in any direction other than that of the current plan to build a network at UHF T-Band for voice services is flawed. He stated that he believes the legislation is extremely flawed. He stated that he is part of the same NPSTC group that Mr. Mallon is part of, and there is a big effort going on that includes, New York City, Boston, Chicago, Philadelphia, Los Angeles and several others. They each have the same concerns and that is they have constructed and invested hundreds of millions of dollars in public safety communications systems in UHF T-Band. Those were not considered when the legislation was crafted. So, the give back of those channels does not affect Los Angeles alone. It affects the major metropolitan areas throughout the country. Don Wright stated that the NPSTC group is working to:



1. Develop an inventory of the equipment that will need to be replaced; and, therefore place a dollar amount on what the cost of this legislation would be to give back these frequencies; and,
2. Develop a plan to move forward to approach Congress and look to modify the legislation and to try to retain UHF T-Band.

He further stated that the question for the Board is, "what is the rush?" He explained that there is a lot of work that needs to be done in order to determine whether or not this legislation will stand or whether this legislation will be modified. He asked the Board to take a breath before they move to a plan that may create a system that does not meet the needs of the region. He explained that it is nine years to the auction of the frequency, and a 48-month window would be an adequate period of time.

Mike Bostic representing Raytheon Company:

Mr. Bostic stated that last year the Board believed a single integrated turnkey procurement was the key to success for this project and even pushed for state law to proceed. Now staff is recommending a multiple RFP approach that will shift the risk of system design and integration to the JPA Board and its members. He asked why now give up these benefits. Mr. Bostic stated that the prior mission statement on the website provided for a uniform voice and data system to eliminate the duplication of costs to maintain separate systems. He explained that the current website has a changed mission statement, "Two networks, one mission". He stated the integration risk will now be borne by LA-RICS and JPA members. He expressed concern about fragmented RFPs for systems that are disconnected and propriety of its limits to public safety.

Rick Castañeda, from Motorola Solutions:

Mr. Castañeda stated that he recommends not canceling the existing RFP and issue an addendum. He does not believe there are compelling legal reasons to cancel the RFP. The fact that staff has presented the Board the option for an addendum confirms this opinion. He explained that the changes can be addressed by way of change orders, a best and final offer, or by an addendum. He added that the RFP allows for delays of a component, or sub-system of the RFP. He stated that the Board issued an addendum when the BTOP grant was awarded after proposals were submitted. Mr. Castañeda also discussed the hybrid approach. He stated that good questions have come up, but that they do not believe it is advisable at this time. He explained that there are many uncertainties with the H.R. 3630 T-Band provision and is detrimental to public safety. He added that additional relocation costs is in the billions which will most likely lead to changes in the legislation. Moving forward with the 700 MHz layer will add hundreds of millions to the project that may not be necessary, if the legislation is changed in favor of keeping the T-Band.

Lisa Specht of Manatt, Phelps & Phillips, LLP, representing Raytheon Company:

Ms. Specht stated that given the past two procurement attempts, Raytheon is concerned about a fair and open process going forward. She stated that another failed procurement is unthinkable. After investing thousands of hours in time and millions of dollars on these two procurements, bidders must be confident that the selection of evaluators will be unbiased and appropriate without favoring any one bidder. Ms. Specht explained that it is imperative that the selection process be open and transparent and that the membership of the evaluation committee not be arbitrarily restricted. Whatever evaluators are chosen, they must have the necessary expertise to understand and objectively evaluate the proposals; this might entail using outside consultants that are knowledgeable about the complex technologies being purchased, as well as how the technologies will be applied. Ms. Specht further added that the evaluators must be given enough time and the right tools to evaluate the proposals properly and under no circumstances should the bidders have contact with evaluators outside of the oral interviews. She also added that the RFP be drafted with great care so that the RFP does not favor any one bidder and that the proposals are fully understood by the evaluators. She provided some examples of items in the first RFP that were not in the second RFP, such as dual negotiations and allowing the County to move forward if



the JPA does not. Ms. Specht expressed concern as to why a decision was made not to have oral interviews the second time around. And, in her opinion the new RFP should require oral interviews including questions and answers. She mentioned that the best way to ensure a solid document is to release a draft RFP to allow comments from bidders, should they choose to comment.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (5) (out of sequence)

5. Procurement Report and Recommendation – Pat Mallon

Chair Fujioka then asked staff to present Item 6.

Executive Director Mallon explained that the project is at a cross-road due to H.R. 3630. He stated that NTIA has suspended the equipment portion of the project, but allowing LA-RICS to move forward with the infrastructure deployment for the LTE system. He notified the Board of a possible extension on the BTOP grant; however, there has not been any formal communication. Executive Director Mallon stated that he anticipates building out the 255 sites that were initially identified in the last RFP, because it is an agnostic design to allow any equipment that is compatible with the national architecture to be used by FirstNet. He also informed the Board that a full assessment of all 255 sites has been completed, which can be provided to vendors so that they can refine their responses.

Executive Director Mallon explained that at the July 11, 2012 meeting, he mentioned a potential recommendation of using an additive alternate for the LTE equipment. In further review of the legislation, the clarity with which we would need is not there, so there will not be a recommendation for an additive alternate.

Executive Director Mallon also provided information for the Land Mobile Radio system. He explained that H.R. 3630 provides for a take back of T-Band frequencies. He stated that Jacobs completed a feasibility study of 110 land mobile radio sites currently in use by public safety in the LA County. He clarified that this report is a technical feasibility study not operational reality. There are a number of operational questions that need to be resolved before LA-RICS can move forward with a hybrid approach. Depending on the action of the Board, the intent is to study the impacts and operational requirements over the next 30 days and report back at the September 6, 2012 meeting, to get some final direction from the Board on how to proceed with the Land Mobile Radio system.

Executive Director Mallon stated that if the changes require action to the RFP, we need to communicate such to the vendors. He clarified that the correct recommendation is included in the agenda item for number 6, not what is listed in the Board Letter.

Chair Fujioka asked the Board to consider Recommendation (a):

- a. Take action to either:
 - i. Direct staff to prepare an addendum to the existing Request for Proposal (RFP) #LA-RICS 004; or,
 - ii. Cancel RFP #LA-RICS 004 and direct staff to prepare one or more new RFPs;

Board Member Alexander asked what were the major implications to hold off and see what the other metropolitan cities were doing in regards to the T-Band? Executive Director Mallon stated that LA-RICS is the only jurisdiction looking to build out a system. He explained that New York has fully built out a system and stay where they are until such time the LTE system can provide



suitable data and critical voice communication. Until that time, they are staying put unless the FCC comes up with sufficient spectrum and funds for the move. He added it has been 11 years since 9/11 and if we wait four more years, what you will have is four more years to suffer the consequences from lack of a good interoperable communications system.

Board Member Alexander stated that the other cities are also concerned about the fiscal complications of LA-RICS. He asked if there might be lobbying to amend this legislation within the next year. Executive Director Mallon stated that he does not know. He added that the NPSTC T-Band Study Group is reviewing data and information to put forth to Congress.

Chair Fujioka added that there is concern with the expiring grant funds and there may be concern from the federal government to use grant funds for a system that does not comply with the law.

Board Member Simay stated that there is in fact considerable investment in T-Band in the LA region and LA-RICS should take that into account; and, therefore, LA County is in a similar position as New York. He explained that he, along with Don Wright, visited the FCC and they begged to approach and make Congress aware of the radio implications. There is one representative in the House of Representatives who is willing to campaign the cause. He added that eventually mission critical voice can be integrated with the broadband, but the T-Band can address this in the meantime. He stated that the Board is being pessimistic about changing the provision of H.R. 3630 and the Board is underestimating the amount of T-Band investment.

Board Member Santana stated that we can look at this as another obstacle, or an opportunity to transition to a program and become a model nationwide. He stated the hybrid approach allows for LA-RICS to maintain some level of flexibility. If the legislation changes, the hybrid approach does allow flexibility. Board Member Santana added that the staff's recommendation allows for LA-RICS to make progress while responding to the change at the same time. He stated that if this type of change would be proposed, his City Attorney would require a cancellation of the RFP and issuance of a new one.

Board Member Santana moved to cancel RFP #LA-RICS 004 and direct staff to prepare one or more new RFPs. Chair Fujioka received a second.

Chair Fujioka asked for the Board to vote on the Motion. Those opposed were Board Members Raney, Pickwith, and Tankenson; all others voted in favor.

MOTION APPROVED.

Executive Director Mallon reviewed Recommendation B and advised that staff recommends to separate the two RFPs. JPA Counsel Amanda Drukker stated that procedurally the Board should consider the (d) first.

Recommendation (d) - Provide direction regarding the scope of work for the LTE system, for either an addendum to the existing RFP #LA-RICS 004, or, one or more new RFPs.

Executive Director Mallon stated that due to the NTIA suspension of LTE equipment and the recognition for the potential for an additive alternate is unclear the recommendation is to move forward with the infrastructure only.

Board Member Jackson stated that if they take this route, eventually there will be three RFPs since they will have to come back and issue a separate RFP for the LTE equipment. Executive Director Mallon confirmed this statement.



Board Member Jackson asked whether this was in line with AB 946 that was applied to this new procurement approach. JPA Counsel Amanda Drukker stated that they are still looking at how they are going to conduct the RFP and AB 946 does not refer to turnkey; however, it must support a regional interoperable system.

Board Member Jackson moved with respect to Recommendation (d) to direct staff to move forward preparation of an RFP for the infrastructure portion of the LTE system. Chair Fujioka received a second.

Board Member Greg Simay stated that his understanding of the LTE equipment is that it is more performance based than design based. Chair Fujioka stated that the motion on the table is to move with construction, infrastructure only and not equipment because of what is happening with H.R. 3630. Board Member Simay stated his understanding of H.R. 3630 is that a certain amount of time will pass at which point there will be standards for the equipment and asked if a requirement could not be included in the RFP to make sure the vendors comply with those standards. Executive Director Mallon stated that LA-RICS is not sure if FirstNet will actually make the procurement or not; and, if it is tied to this procurement, it complicates the matter.

Chair Fujioka asked for the vote. **MOTION APPROVED**, unanimously.

Chair Fujioka next considered Recommendation (c).

- c. Provide direction regarding whether staff should further develop technical and operational requirements for the LMR 700 MHz and "T-Band" hybrid approach, with the review of the Operations Committee and Technical Committee, for either an addendum to the existing RFP #LA-RICS 004, or, one or more new RFPs; and,

Executive Director Pat Mallon clarified that the report received from Jacobs was a feasibility study, and that there are operational considerations that have to be included and a method to address the needs of the secondary responders. He explained that his recommendation to the Board is for staff to begin the preparation process and provide an update at the September 6, 2012 Board meeting. He clarified that he is not asking the Board to release the RFP, only to direct staff to begin the process.

Chair Fujioka added that they are not making a decision to actually approve the hybrid approach, but taking the next step. Executive Director Mallon confirmed.

Board Member Jackson stated that he would like to explore the study further and see the differences before they can prepare the RFP for the hybrid system. He requested to continue the matter until their next meeting on September 2012 for further information.

Executive Director Mallon explained that further exploration is part of the process, as they begin the evaluation of a new RFP. They have to revisit the sample agreement, front end documents, and confidential supplement. There is a tremendous amount of work that has to be done before they come to the decision that they are going forward with a hybrid approach or revert back to T-Band. He further stated that the intent over the next 30 days is to address those issues and to further investigate the potential for the hybrid, including sufficient spectrum in the 700 MHz to meet the needs of the system. Without sufficient spectrum and the ability to address technical and operational considerations, they will return in September 2012 to the Board for further direction.

Chair Fujioka stated that the key is that nothing will be issued until they go through that process and understand the aspects of the new RFP.



Board Member Alexander does not understand why staff would need a motion when they could do all of the leg work without the direction or motion of the Board. Executive Director Mallon stated that there is a significant investment of time and grant dollars in the consultants to do this work.

Board Member Santana moved for the staff recommendation regarding Recommendation (c) to allow staff to further review the LMR 700 MHz and "T-Band" hybrid approach with the Technical Committee and Operations Committee and to develop technical and operational requirements for the LMR RFP based on this hybrid approach. Chair Fujioka received a second.

Chair Fujioka called for a vote. **MOTION APPROVED.** Those opposed were Board Members Raney, Jackson, Alexander, Simay, Scranton, and Tankenson; all others voted in favor.

Chair Fujioka next considered Recommendation (b): Provide direction as to whether:

- i. To prepare a single RFP for both the LMR and the LTE broadband systems; or,
- ii. To prepare two RFPs, one for the LMR system and one for the LTE system;

Executive Director Mallon stated that staff recommends b.ii. Chair Fujioka stated that given the Board's decision on the other matters, the option before the Board is b.ii.

Board Member Jackson stated that he supports multiple RFPs since given the approach there will be three. Chair Fujioka clarified that the decision is to consider two RFPs at this point in time.

Board Member Jackson moved to direct staff to prepare two RFPs, one for the LMR system and one for LTE system. Chair Fujioka received a second.

Chair Fujioka called for a vote. **MOTION APPROVED unanimously.**

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS – (None)

X. ITEMS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION BY THE BOARD

7. Project Funding
8. Project Risk Controls

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Bill Fujioka adjourned the meeting.