



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

LOS ANGELES REGIONAL
INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AUTHORITY

October 1, 2015
Grace E. Simons Lodge
1025 Elysian Park Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Board Members Present:

Sachi Hamai, Chair, CEO, County of Los Angeles
Bill Walker, Fire Chief, City of Alhambra Fire Dept.
Larry Giannone, Chief of Police, City of Sierra Madre Police Dept.
Kim Raney, Chief of Police, City of Covina Police Dept.

Alternates For Board Members Present:

Patty Huber, Asst., CAO, alternate for Miguel Santana, CAO, City of Los Angeles
Graham Everett, Asst., Chief, alternate for Ralph Terrazas, Fire Chief, City of Los Angeles Fire Dept.
Maggie Goodrich, CIO, alternate for Charles L. Beck, Vice Chair, Chief of Police, Los Angeles Police Dept.
Matias Farfan, Asst., Chief Legislative Analyst, alternate for Sharon Tso, Chief Legislative Analyst, City of Los Angeles
Chris Bundesen, Asst., Fire Chief, alternate for Daryl L. Osby, Fire Chief, County of Los Angeles Fire Dept.
Dean Gialamas, Division Dir., alternate for Jim McDonnell, Sheriff, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Dept.
Karolyn Fruhwirth, Asst., Dir., alternate for Cathy Chidester, Director, EMS Agency, County of LA, DHS
Jose Santome, Deputy Chief, alternate for Steven K. Zipperman, Chief of Police, Los Angeles School Police Dept.
Greg Grammer, Asst., City Manager, alternate for Doug Prichard, City Manager, City of Rolling Hills Estates

Officers Present:

Patrick Mallon, LA-RICS Executive Director

Absent:

Mark R. Alexander, City Manager, CA Contract Cities Assoc.

AGENDA ITEM A



I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Sachi Hamai called the Regular meeting of the Board to order.

II. ANNOUNCE QUORUM – Roll Call

Chair Hamai acknowledged that a quorum was present and asked for a roll call.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (A-B)

A. September 10, 2015 – Regular Meeting Minutes

Chair Hamai asked for a motion to approve, Alternate Member Patty Huber motioned first, seconded by Alternate Member Jose Santome. The Board's consensus was unanimous.

Ayes 13: Hamai, Walker, Giannone, Raney, Huber, Everett, Goodrich, Farfan, Bundesen, Gialamas, Fruhwirth, Santome, and Grammer.

MOTION APPROVED.

B. September 10, 2015 – Special Meeting Minutes

Chair Hamai asked for a motion to approve, Alternate Member Patty Huber motioned first, seconded by Alternate Member Jose Santome. The Board's consensus was unanimous.

Ayes 13: Hamai, Walker, Giannone, Raney, Huber, Everett, Goodrich, Farfan, Bundesen, Gialamas, Fruhwirth, Santome, and Grammer.

MOTION APPROVED.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS – (None)

V. CONSENT CALENDAR – (None)

Chair Hamai announced that we received a five year extension on the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) funds. The Legislative team from the County, Joint Powers Authority (JPA) Pat Mallon, and John Geiger worked very hard in Washington to obtain Congressional support. We have the opportunity to drawdown the remaining \$37 million of our initial \$154 million grant and five more years to complete the Long Term Evolution (LTE) project. Chair Hamai congratulated the team for their efforts. Pat Mallon will provide an update on the additional sites that Department of



Defense (DoD) is offering, in order for the excess equipment to be utilized. Chair Hamai stated she will be on the telephone with NTIA today or tomorrow to notify them that we will be submitting a request for the remaining funds.

VI. REPORTS (C-F)

C. Finance Committee Report – John Geiger

John Geiger reported that a regular scheduled meeting of the Finance Committee was held on September 24, 2015. No action items were on the Agenda. A final report from the Alternative Funding Plan Ad-Hoc Committee was received. There is insignificant support for the Alternative Funding Plan, therefore, the 2014 Adopted Funding Plan remains in full force and effect. The 2014 Funding Plan becomes binding upon members on November 24, 2015. The potential consequences were discussed at the Ad-Hoc Committee and were reported back to the Finance Committee. There are concerns amongst the members regarding the amount of financial responsibility and potentially unbudgeted liability under the 2014 Funding Plan. Under our JPA Agreement there are provisions for continued agencies participation without financial obligation as affiliates and as subscribers. An agency can do one of three things: (1) remain a member with full financial obligation under the 2014 Adopted Funding Plan, (2) opt-out of membership and drop from the JPA, (3) submit a request to this Board to convert their status from member to affiliate. As an affiliate there will be no financial obligation under the 2014 Funding Plan nor will there be any voting rights in the JPA. The agency would retain its opportunity to participate in the JPA standing committees and Ad-Hoc Committees and will continue to have a voice through the JPA in interoperable communications. Members who are concerned about this deadline and are interested in converting to affiliate status or to retain the subscriber status are encouraged to contact the Executive Director and Counsel for a smooth transition.

Alternate Member Jose Santome suggested notifying the members that have opted-out and offer them the options. Chair Hamai stated, "great idea."

Board Member Kim Raney stated he was on the Ad-Hoc Committee and does not recall a final report being submitted. Mr. Geiger stated we moved away from considerations of alternative funding plans to a discussion of consequences of no alternative funding plan. There is no written final report. The final report was an oral report. Mr. Geiger stated, "Certainly this Board is well within its discretion and authority to continue the Ad-Hoc Committee for whatever reason and give specific instructions at any time it desires. At this point in time, given the November deadline, it seems clear that there is not an alternative funding plan on the table that has been endorsed for consideration by this Board." Board Member Kim Raney stated he has a different understanding of the resolution.



D. Director's Report – Pat Mallon

Executive Director Pat Mallon provided an update on the status of Funding Plan. During the month of September, we did not receive any additional Notices of Withdrawal. A recap of the impact on the Funding Plan resulting from all cities that have withdrawn is reflected in Agenda Item G. The total impact to the Funding Plan to date remains at 11.87%. A report on the September meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee was provided by Mr. Geiger.

Long Term Evolution (LTE) Project Update

In regard to the LTE project status I don't think we can top the news reported by the Chair regarding the passage of the Continuing Resolution. The Board of Supervisors, Chair Hamai and her Legislative Staff, both in Washington D.C. and here locally, have been working the issue intensively. Our sincerest thanks go out to each and every one of them. We had already been working with NTIA on a three month Administrative Extension, which was also approved yesterday. With the 90 day period, we will be developing a plan to further expand on the LTE system by deploying the excess equipment ordered prior to the suspension as well deployment to other sites during the additional five year window. We will be requesting restoration of the \$37 million in grant funds taken as a result of the downsizing of the system to further improve system coverage. I will keep you posted on our progress in this regard.

Relative to the LTE construction status, as of yesterday, the construction of LTE fixed sites was concluded, with 63 sites completed, 15 Cell-on-Wheel (COW) received. Deployment of the COWs at 10 Southern Californian Edison (SCE) sites, 2 at County of Los Angeles Water Works sites, and 1 at the Sheriff's STAR Center are in progress. One California Highway Patrol (CHP) site in Woodland Hills is pending approval of a site use agreement. One deployable COW will remain available for response as needed to allow for accelerated deployment by eliminating the need for disconnection and securing of the antenna support structure prior to relocation.

Federal Interest

Over the course of the past two weeks, we have received contact from two Department of Justice agencies expressing interest in participating in the LA-RICS system. The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) have expressed a desire to participate in both the LTE and Land Mobile Radio (LMR) systems. We will be meeting with the ATF on Monday to clarify their expectations.

California FirstNet Update

The California Office of Emergency Services has solicited information from all public agencies on their "Data" service requirements. Responses to the questionnaire were due to the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) on or



before yesterday. This information will be used in assuring the development of an appropriate plan for the Public Safety Broadband Network in California. On behalf of the California First Responders Network Board, thank you to all of the Los Angeles County area agencies that provided a response to that questionnaire.

Alternate Member Matias Farfan asked if the extension we received on the BTOP grants impacts the date for LTE. Executive Director Pat Mallon stated "No, the contract we have, with amendments, is now for the 63 fixed sites plus the 15 COWs. We will be meeting with Motorola today to discuss the roll-out. NTIA stated they expect the system to be up and running by the end of the 90 days, which is December 31, 2015.

Land Mobile Radio (LMR) Project Status

Executive Director Pat Mallon reported on the LMR environmental status and stated that the discussions with Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the City of Los Angeles are continuing relative to the Environmental Impact Analysis. The draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment has been submitted to the City of Los Angeles as Grant Administrator for the UASI grant with all comments from the City and FEMA included. We are continuing outreach efforts to the federal agencies on whose land we are proposing LMR installations.

LMR System Design

We are wrapping up the completion of the base LMR system design and have directed Motorola to move forward with those activities required for obtaining Federal Communications Commission (FCC) licenses on channels granted to LA-RICS for use by the County.

UASI Requested Draft MOA from Judge Robert Bonner

As previously reported, the Legislative, Finance and Joint Operations/Technical Committees have met to discuss the proposed Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) from Judge Bonner regarding coordination of efforts by LA-RICS and ICIS to insure interoperability throughout Los Angeles County. A subcommittee of four representatives from the Joint Operations and Technical Committees are working to develop recommended language of the MOA. This subcommittee consists of two members each from the separate Operations and Technical Committees. The product of that subcommittee will be shared with the Joint Committee and then presented to your Board for consideration.

E. Project Manager's Report – Pat Mallon

The Jacobs Project Management Report and Motorola Monthly Report are included in your package as Agenda Item E.



F. Grant Status Report – Pat Mallon

There has been no change to the status of grants awarded to LA-RICS since your last meeting. We have sought an update on the question of supplanting under the UASI grant program from the Los Angeles City grant administrators. Unfortunately, due to the ongoing wild fires in northern California, much of the CalOES staff has been consumed in their support of the firefighting effort. The City grant administrators are working to facilitate a call between LA-RICS and the CalOES grant office. The City also advised that CalOES requested information on job descriptions for each relevant position which the City has provided.

VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS (G)

G. Status of Membership Opt-Out and Impact on Funding Plan

The purpose of this discussion item is to update your Board on the number of member agencies that have opted-out of the LA-RICS Membership to date, and corresponding impact on the Adopted Funding Plan. As of the Board agenda filing date, there are no updates to report from that provided at your September 10, 2015 meeting.

VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (H)

H. AMENDMENT NO. 19 FOR OUTREACH ACTIVITIES TO PROJECT AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT (CONTINUED FROM MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2015)

It is recommended that your Board:

1. Approve Amendment No. 19 to the Project and Construction Management Services contract with Jacobs, in substantially similar form to the Enclosure, which revises the contract to increase the scope and level of effort to complete outreach activities for the LMR portion of the project and provide outreach associated with the CEQA/NEPA environmental component of the project increasing the Maximum Contract Sum by \$1,255,765 from \$35,753,651 to \$37,009,416.
2. Delegate authority to the Executive Director to execute Amendment No. 19 with Jacobs, substantially similar in form to the Enclosure.

Alternate Member Maggie Goodrich stated that at the last meeting Board Member Mark Alexander asked for hourly scheduled rates, and was told there was an oversight not including that attachment. Alternate Member Maggie Goodrich stated she has not seen it. Administrative Chief Susy Orellana-Curtiss stated Katz



Outreach hourly rate is \$195 and 5,833 hours, which is currently contemplated in the Jacobs contract. For Environmental Outreach, there are 1,436 hours and for the general construction agency notification ongoing communication and the door to door outreach is a total of 4,397 hours.

Chair Hamai asked for a motion to approve, Alternate Member Dean Gialamas motioned first, seconded by Alternate Member Chris Bundesen. The Board's consensus was unanimous.

Ayes 13: Hamai, Walker, Giannone, Raney, Huber, Everett, Goodrich, Farfan, Bundesen, Gialamas, Fruhwirth, Santome, and Grammer.

IX. MISCELLANEOUS – (None)

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

XI. CLOSED SESSION REPORT (NO CLOSED SESSION REPORT)

Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation (subdivision (d) (2) and (d) (4) of Government Code Section 54956.9) (2 cases)

XIII. ADJOURNMENT and NEXT MEETING:

Chair Hamai announced adjournment of this meeting at 9:24 a.m. The Board's consensus was unanimous. The next Board meeting will take place on Thursday, November 5, 2015, at 9:00 a.m., at the Grace E. Simons Lodge.



BOARD MEETING INFORMATION

Members of the public are invited to address the LA-RICS Authority Board on any item on the agenda prior to action by the Board on that specific item. Members of the public may also address the Board on any matter within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. The Board will entertain such comments during the Public Comment period. Public Comment will be limited to three (3) minutes per individual for each item addressed, unless there are more than ten (10) comment cards for each item, in which case the Public Comment will be limited to one (1) minute per individual. The aforementioned limitation may be waived by the Board's Chair.

(NOTE: Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3(b) the legislative body of a local agency may adopt reasonable regulations, including, but not limited to, regulations limiting the total amount of time allocated for public testimony on particular issues and for each individual speaker.)

Members of the public who wish to address the Board are urged to complete a Speaker Card and submit it to the Board Secretary prior to commencement of the public meeting. The cards are available in the meeting room. However, should a member of the public feel the need to address a matter while the meeting is in progress, a card may be submitted to the Board Secretary prior to final consideration of the matter.

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