



# AGENDA

## LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AUTHORITY

### FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING Thursday, May 25, 2023 • 1:30 p.m.

LA-RICS Headquarters  
2525 Corporate Pl., Suite 200,  
Large Conference Room  
Monterey Park, CA 91754

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MEMBERS		ALTERNATES	
1.	<b>Leslie Luke (Chair)</b> County of Los Angeles Chief Executive Office	1.	<b>Brian Hoffman,</b> County of Los Angeles Chief Executive Office
2.	<b>Leticia Rivera,</b> County of Los Angeles Fire Department	2.	<b>Helen Jo,</b> County of Los Angeles Fire Department
3.	<b>David Sum (Vice-Chair),</b> County of Los Angeles Sheriff's Department	3.	<b>Robert J. Weber,</b> County of Los Angeles Sheriff's Department
4.	<b>Maria Morales,</b> County of Los Angeles Department of Health Services	4.	<b>Richard Tadeo,</b> County of Los Angeles Department of Health Services
5.	<b>Vacant Seat,</b> Los Angeles Area Fire Chiefs Association	5.	<b>Vacant Seat,</b> Los Angeles Area Fire Chiefs Association
6.	<b>Tom Jacobs,</b> Los Angeles County Police Chiefs Association	6.	<b>Vacant Seat,</b> Los Angeles County Police Chiefs Association
7.	<b>Vacant Seat,</b> California Contract Cities Association	7.	<b>Vacant Seat,</b> California Contract Cities Association
8.	<b>David Povero,</b> City of Covina Police Department	8.	<b>Ric Walczak,</b> City of Covina Police Department
9.	<b>Marie DiBernardo,</b> City of Inglewood Police Department	9.	<b>Gabriela Garcia,</b> City of Inglewood Police Department
10.	<b>Vacant Seat,</b> At-Large Seat #10	10.	<b>Vacant Seat,</b> At-Large Seat #10

OFFICERS
Scott D. Edson, LA-RICS Executive Director
Beatriz Cojulun, LA-RICS Committee Secretary



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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. ANNOUNCE QUORUM – ROLL CALL**

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – (A)**

**A. January 20, 2022 – Regular Meeting Minutes**

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**IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**V. CONSENT CALENDAR – NONE**

**VI. REPORTS – NONE**

**VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS – (B)**

**B. LAND MOBILE RADIO UPDATE**

Agenda Item B

**VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS – (C – D)**

**C. 2023 SCHEDULE FOR LA-RICS FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

It is recommended that your Committee:

**1. Approve the following dates for the calendar year 2023 Finance Committee Regular Meeting Schedule:**

- May 25
- June 22
- July 27
- August 24
- September 28
- October 26
- November 16 (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday due to Thanksgiving Holiday)
- December 28



All Regular Meetings will resume at the regular location and will be held at 1:30 p.m., on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday (changing it from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday) of each month, at LA-RICS Headquarters, 2525 Corporate Place, Suite 200, Large Conference Room, Monterey Park, California, 91754.

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**D. REVIEW AND RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT PROPOSED AMENDED FISCAL-YEAR 2022-23 OPERATING BUDGET**

It is requested the Committee recommend approval to the LA-RICS Board of Directors of the draft Proposed Amended Operating Budget to adjust funding sources with actual and projected expenditures/uses in Fiscal-Year 2022-23. The draft budget is in accordance with the cost factors identified in the Adopted Funding Plan.

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**IX. MISCELLANEOUS**

**X. CLOSED SESSION REPORT - NONE**

**XI. ITEMS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION BY THE COMMITTEE**

**XII. ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING:**

Finance Committee on Thursday, June 22, 2023, at 1:30 p.m., LA-RICS Headquarters, 2525 Corporate Place, Suite 200, Large Conference Room, Monterey Park, California 91754.



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# FINANCE COMMITTEE

## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

LOS ANGELES REGIONAL  
INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AUTHORITY

Thursday, January 20, 2022 • 1:30 p.m.  
Teams Teleconference Regular Meeting

<b>FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:</b>
<b>John Geiger</b> , County of Los Angeles Chief Executive Office
<b>Maria Morales</b> , County of Los Angeles Department of Health Services
<b>Mark Alexander (Interim)</b> , California Contract Cities Association
<b>Marie DiBernardo</b> , City of Inglewood Police Department

<b>ALTERNATES FOR FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:</b>
<b>Helen Jo</b> , County of Los Angeles Fire Department
<b>Sven Crongeyer</b> , County of Los Angeles Sheriff's Department
<b>Ric Walczak</b> , City of Covina Police Department

<b>OFFICERS PRESENT:</b>
<b>Scott Edson</b> , LA-RICS Executive Director
<b>Susy Orellana-Curtiss</b> , LA-RICS Administrative Deputy
<b>Beatriz Cojulun</b> , LA-RICS Committee Secretary

<b>ABSENT MEMBERS:</b>
<b>Vacant Seat #5</b> , LA Area Fire Chiefs Association
<b>Vacant Seat #6</b> , LA County Police Chiefs Association
<b>Vacant Seat #10</b> , At-Large Seat #10



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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair John Geiger called the Regular Meeting of the Finance Committee to order at 1:30 p.m.

**II. ANNOUNCE QUORUM – ROLL CALL**

Committee Secretary, Beatriz Cojulan performed a roll call and acknowledged the presence of a quorum.

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (A)**

**A. September 16, 2021 – Regular Meeting Minutes**

Chair Geiger read in the minutes for September 16, 2021. With the absence of any objections, Chair Geiger called for a motion to approve.

Committee Member Marie DiBernardo motioned first, seconded by Committee Member Maria Morales.

Ayes 7: Geiger, Jo, Crongeyer, Morales, Alexander, Walczak, and DiBerardo.

**MOTION APPROVED.**

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS – NONE**

**V. CONSENT CALENDAR – NONE**

**VI. REPORTS (B – E)**

**B. LMR UPDATE – Justin Delfino**

Program Manager Justin Delfino provided the Committee with the Land Mobile Radio (LMR) Update. Program Manager Delfino explained that the Authority started the year off on a positive note having a successful Rose Parade event. The County of Los Angeles (County) Sheriff's Department (LASD) primarily benefited from the use of the system, which LASD reported that it worked perfectly, specifically commenting on the sound quality clarity and ease of use.



Program Manager Delfino stated that currently there is an extreme effort focused on completing work at the three (3) Catalina Island sites, which are Black Jack Peak (BJM), Dakin Peak (DPK) and Tower Peak (TWR). The contractor, Motorola Solutions, Inc. (MSI), has indicated that they plan to complete construction on January 31, 2022. Program Manager Delfino went on to say that even if MSI meets its January 31, 2022 goal, it will have to make a return trip to the island in February 2022, due to back ordered fence materials that were reported to have been delayed as a result of global supply chain issues.

Program Manager Delfino stated that Phase 2 work is also being done at San Pedro Hill (SPH) and County Fire Station 072 (LACF072), which are both expected to be completed with Phase 2 work by March 2022. Program Manager Delfino shared that LACF072 is a site situated at a Fire Station in the Malibu/Santa Monica Mountains area and will provide much needed coverage in that geographic area. MSI has made drastic progress in the month of December 2021 having installed the monopole and communications shelter. Program Manager Delfino stated that along with the many performance issues by MSI, he believes that COVID-19 pandemic has also negatively affected the Program and the Authority recently received a letter from MSI indicating COVID impacts. Specifically, the letter indicated that some of MSI's internal staff, including its Technical Lead, as well of some of its subcontractors have recently been infected by the COVID-19 virus and resulted in some decrease in productivity. Program Manager Delfino said the Authority has agreed to stay in close correspondence with MSI on the topic of COVID-19 to prevent the spread of the virus amongst the project teams. Program Manager Delfino stated that MSI will furnish an updated Integrated Master Schedule (IMS) with the data date version of January 31, 2022, and will provide it on February 1, 2022. The new IMS is planned to incorporate the MCI site and the reduction of work at Topanga Peak (TOP-RELAY) and Saddle Peak (SPN). Program Manager Delfino asked the Committee to recall from the last report that while the microwave components will remain at TOP, all of the sites Radio Frequency (RF) equipment would be co-located at MCI with the SPN equipment. Program Manager Delfino went on to explain the benefits of consolidating the equipment at MCI, noting that is will save time and cost on the program. Program Manager Delfino reported that there have been some complications at two (2) specific sites, Burnt Peak 1 (BUR1) due to a fire at the end of 2020, as well as Green Mountain (GRM), where the electrical utility has simply not been connected yet. Program Manager Delfino reported that the problem with power at each site will be remedied with the use of roll-up diesel generators with accessory fuel tanks at BUR1 and GRM.

Program Manager Delfino stated the Authority has requested an extension for the close of the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) 19' Grant on behalf of MSI.



Program Manager Delfino reported that the Authority will meet with the Granting Authority to further discuss the request.

Program Manager Delfino concluded his report by letting the Committee know there are fifteen (15) cells currently on the air and twenty-six (26) sites currently on the air, and that LMR System Acceptance is currently planned for mid-October 2023, per the IMS.

Program Manager Delfino reported that the Narrowband Mobile Data Network (NMDN1) is expected to be the first subsystem accepted for use on August 4, 2022, as long as there are no unexpected delays with frequencies and cutover.

With the absence of comments or questions, Chair Geiger moved on to the next Discussion Item.

### **C. GRANT STATUS REPORT**

Administrative Deputy Susy Orellana-Curtiss greeted the Committee and expressed the last few months have been rough as far as grant funding and grant application efforts are concerned and mentioned Committee Members have been briefed by each of their respective representative Board Directors. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss said the Authority had hoped to provide the Committee with a more solid update by this date, but went ahead and provided the Committee with the significant progress that has been made relating to the grant. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss summarized Program Manager Delfino who provided the Committee with significant updates that have been made since the last Finance meeting, Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss highlighted a portion of Project Manager Delfino's report of forty-five (45) sites that have construction complete, and projecting through the performance period of the UASI 19' the Authority will likely complete fifty-seven (57) of the fifty-eight (58) sites. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss went on to say the fifty-seven (57) sites will make up the Land Mobile Radio (LMR) System, which is a huge accomplishment given the many hurdles that have been encountered in the past couple of years, including the California weather, including the worse rainstorms, followed by snowstorms, mudslides, as well as the preceding fires in the region that were experienced impacting some of the most complex sites. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss expressed that nonetheless progress has been made on construction at the sites, equipment for all sites has been procured, and as Program Manager Delfino reported a conclusion in construction is expected this summer.





Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss said there is one (1) remaining site, MCI, which the Authority will be building separately from its contractor MSI, through an independent bid contract and contemplate construction completion this year as well.

Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss went on to say that with the delays the Authority has encountered, and as the Committee has been aware, the Authority has been in constant communication with the Grantor at the City of Los Angeles (City), state and federal grantor, they have kept a strong pulse on the LA-RICS program, the project and its progress from the time the region voted to build the system of systems model, and allocate \$105 million dollars to the LA-RICS for its completion. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss stated that since that time, in 2016, the Authority has experienced delays and hurdles, resulting in an increase in cost, as well as the duration of time for the completion of the program.

Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss asked the Committee to recall the allocation that was committed by the UASI region back in 2016, which contemplated completion of the system in its entirety in 2020 and now the IMS will reflect a completion in October of 2023. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss said the extension in time compounded with the unexpected change orders, which have resulted due to either Acts of God, or field encountered change orders, as well as other contractual delays resulted in need of additional funding. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss stated that was communicated formally to the Authority's Grantor back in 2019, which they understood the Authority was working closely with MSI to finalize the IMS and incorporate certain efficiencies where possible to pull-in dates. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss went on to say the Authority at the time was instructed to consider any potential reduction in scope and perhaps equipment could be consolidated or a site could be dropped. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss informed the Committee that an assessment was completed confirming the sites and equipment contemplated was necessary in order to provide the regional users with the system they require. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss expressed the Grantor understood this and allowed the Authority to continue with uninterrupted work under an existing and awarded grant, understanding the region would consider an allocation of funding to complete the program at a later date. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss stated the one missing piece the Authority did not have in front of it was what the IMS completion date would be. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss shared that once the Authority received the IMS that was mutually agreed to and accepted by the LA-RICS Authority, immediately the Authority presented the Funding Gap to the Grantor at the City, State, and Federal level and proceeded with corresponding grant applications.



Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss provided the Committee with a summary of the activities that have occurred since then, there were a series of meetings that occurred last year in the fall of 2021, with the UASI Approval Authority receiving the program updates and information, extensive question and answer document was submitted by the Approval Authority and answered by LA-RICS, Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss went on to say the Authority held various presentations and meetings where the Approval Authority's questions were addressed, summarizing the funding gap to complete the system totals \$40 million dollars over three (3) grant cycles. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss said the Approval Authority met a few times initially awarding LA-RICS \$10 million dollars out of the \$40 million dollar request, over the course of two (2) grant cycles (2022 and 2023). Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss shared that some of the direction that came out of that Approval Authority meeting was for LA-RICS to seek money elsewhere, including potentially the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP), as well as some other grants. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss expressed the Authority has explained in detail to the Grantor and the UASI the program progress and the status of the project did not easily allow the Authority to seek new funding. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss provided an example, as 57 sites were already in construction, where the Authority could carve out a set of sites and request those sites be funded by a separate grant. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss said the equipment for all of the sites had already been procured, therefore we could not cleanly carve out, for example for the sites in the coastal zone or the Catalina Island sites for a separate stand-alone grant project application that could fund that specific equipment. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss said instead what the Authority needs to fund is the optimization and testing of those sites where construction has already been funded out of the UASI grant as well as equipment purchased via the UASI grant. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss stated it is a little bit cumbersome for those that are familiar with grant programs to carve out a project that is in progress and have it fit neatly into a grant application / allocation. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss continued by saying that nonetheless, the Authority has done its due diligence in seeking funding sources, local source of funds, the Authority has reached out to the SHSP and asked them to include LA-RICS in their application cycle of 2022. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss stated that some might be aware the Los Angeles/ Long Beach (LALB) region receives its regional funding allocation from the Federal Grantor under the two (2) major grants, UASI and SHSP. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss said that UASI receives 84% of the regions funding and SHSP receives 16%. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss expressed that learning what occurred at the UASI Approval Authority, the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES), they are the State level Grant Administrator, issued a letter on November 23, 2021, to the UASI Approval Authority, the County CEO and LA-RICS asking that together with the Los Angeles LA/LB UASI stakeholders to mutually develop a regional solution for



completion of the LA-RICS project. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss stated that Cal OES understands the \$10 million dollar allocation over the two (2) grant cycles was not sufficient for the Authority to complete the program. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss said the State is requiring the region develop a collaborative plan that is due to their office by no later than January 31, 2022. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss went on to say the date coincides with the date by when project workbooks are due to Cal OES for both UASI and SHSP grants. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss said that on December 15, 2021, given receipt of the letter from CalOES, the UASI Approval Authority met again and voted to increase the previous allocation from \$10 million over two (2) years to \$15 million over three (3) years. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss stated the next day, December 6, 2021, the SHSP met to vote on its 2022 allocation awarding the proportionate regional allocation of \$3.5 million dollars, which is 16% of the regional funds to LA-RICS out of the 2022 grant cycle. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss went on to say that following the regional grant Approval Authority meeting, the Executive Director reached out to the City Mayor's Office and pressed hard to demand a meeting where the City and the Authority would mutually address the State's request for a written plan on how LA-RICS would be funded through completion. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss said the meeting thankfully yielded a good result, which was held on Tuesday, January 18, 2021, representatives from the Mayor's office including Deputy Mayor Gorell, representatives from County Chief Executive Office (CEO), including CEO Chief Deputy Nicchitta, which collaboratively committed to work to develop a plan that not only would incorporate the County and LA-RICS input, but would also be taken back to the Approval Authority for their opportunity to vote on the plan. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss expressed that given there is no solid award to share with the Committee at this point, the Authority did want to ensure the Committee that any work that is proceeding at this time is identified and has an identified fund source corresponding to it, and there is no work that will be performed or cost that will be incurred without its corresponding fund source identified.

Chair Geiger asked what the projected shortfall would be if all contingent grant approvals are in fact approved, as well as what the shortfall would be if they are not approved. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss responded by saying that with the current grant award allocations and commitments there is a \$13.5 million dollar shortfall in 2022, a \$6 million dollar shortfall in 2023, and a \$2 million dollar shortfall in 2024.

With the absence of any further comments or questions, Chair Geiger stated the report was received and moved on to the next Discussion Item.



#### **D. 2022 FINANCE FOR LA-RICS FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

Chair Geiger presented the Finance Committee proposed calendar for future meetings, which was agendized on January 14, 2022.

Finance Committee approval is requested for the 2022 Schedule of LA-RICS Finance Committee's Regular Meetings.

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTIONS**

It is recommended that the Finance Committee:

1. Approve the following dates for the calendar year 2022 Finance Committee Regular Meeting Schedule:
  - January 20
  - March 17
  - May 19
  - July 21
  - September 15
  - November 17

All Regular Meetings will be held at 1:30 p.m. Pacific Time via Microsoft Teams until further notice, unless the requirements of state law pursuant to AB 361 can no longer be met.

Chair Geiger called for a motion. Committee Member DiBernardo motioned first, seconded by Interim Committee Member Alexander.

Ayes 7: Geiger, Jo, Crongeyer, Morales, Alexander, Walczak, and DiBernardo.

**MOTION APPROVED.**

**VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS – NONE**

**VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS – NONE**

**VIII. MISCELLANEOUS – NONE**

**IX. CLOSED SESSION REPORT – NONE**



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

**XI. ADJOURNMENT and NEXT MEETING**

The next Regular Finance Committee Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 17, 2022, at 1:30 p.m., via Teleconference Meeting.

With the absence of any objections, Chair Geiger moved for a motion to adjourn.

Committee Member Alexander motioned to adjourn.

The Finance Committee meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m.



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SCOTT EDSON  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

May 25, 2023

To: LA-RICS Finance Committee Members

From: Scott Edson  
Executive Director

### LAND MOBILE RADIO UPDATE

The purpose of this discussion item is to provide an update on the Land Mobile Radio (LMR) System. Below is a brief update on the LMR System with respect to Phase 2, Phase 4, and Phase 5.

Dry conditions with a warming trend and elevated temperatures in April 2023 helped dry out the hills at The Angeles Forest sites and made the roads to these sites easier to navigate. The stretch of dryness comes after the latest storms in February and March, which due to MSI's lack of a proper design at the sites allowed weather to cause equipment damage at the Mount McDill (MMC) site, and weather otherwise impacted access roads to key Digital Trunked Voice Radio System (DTVRS) sites. These events led to delaying the DTVRS subsystem cutover initially scheduled to start on March 16, 2023.

At the MMC site, restoration work is in progress with Motorola Solutions, Inc. (MSI) crews working through weekends and wind conditions permitting, with a focus on repairing and restoring Microwave links and DTVRS elements.

Dried site access road conditions also helped crews reach and resume repair work to restore Microwave links at DTVRS sites. MSI crew's effort focused on the repairing and strengthening of Microwave mounts by adding new stiff arms braced to tower structure.

LA-RICS continues to work towards a primary power solution at the Green Mountain (GRM) site. Running on the interim diesel generator is very costly and refueling the generator tank becomes more challenging with the main road to the site completely washed out. Currently LA-RICS is conducting a ten (10) day load study at the GRM site with a logger installed inside City of Los Angeles (City) Police Department (LAPD) shelter. There is another logger installed inside the LA-RICS shelter to see if the Authority can

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utilize the existing power feeding LAPD shelter as a temporary solution pending Power upgrade work by City Department of Water and Power (LADWP).

The access road to the Whittaker Middle Peak (WMP) site remains inaccessible as part of the road to the site was completely washed out and requires major reconstruction work.

### **Phase 2 work**

The team is focused on Closeout documentation submissions to LA-RICS. Most of the documentation has been delivered, but there are still record drawings that have not yet been submitted. MSI is also making corrections to sites where water infiltration issues were identified and documented during punch walks for Phase 2.

LA-RICS has submitted for bid scope to provide a permanent backup generator at the MCI site along with the procurement of a new roll-up generator. Currently the MCI site is backed up by a loaner rollup generator from the County of Los Angeles Sheriff's Department (LASD).

LA-RICS will install a switchgear and trench for new conduits as soon as get the 10-Day load study report.

### **Phase 4 work**

Fifty-Eight (58) sites have undergone the Phase 4 audit and the corresponding closeout books submitted to LA-RICS for record. MSI has expedited the start of coverage and acceptance testing for the analog layers (LARTCS and ACVRS). Low Band Testing and ACAP Audio Grading activities started on March 15<sup>th</sup> and will continue through mid-May 2023.

### **Phase 5 work**

- NMDN1 subsystem has started warranty and has remained operational. The team will be reviewing monthly status reports to track the quality of the system and warranty issues that may arise.
- DTVRS subsystem cutover started May 1, 2023. However, bridge warranty pricing was difficult to substantiate since the price submitted was significantly higher than the contract pricing, even with a considered escalation and despite the lowered site count at the time the contract pricing was provided. LA-RICS resolved to exercise its right to a Unilateral amendment, which was approved to increase MSI contract in an amount derived from the contract pricing.

Key LMR Program Metrics

- Fifty-eight sites optimized.
- Fifty-eight sites on the air
- Thirty-three cells on the air

RE:mbc





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May 25, 2023

LA-RICS Finance Committee Members  
Los Angeles Regional Interoperable Communications System Authority (the "Authority")

Dear Committee Members:

**2023 SCHEDULE FOR LA-RICS  
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

**SUBJECT**

Committee approval is requested for the 2023 Schedule of LA-RICS Finance Committee's Regular Meetings.

**RECOMMENDED ACTIONS**

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**PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The approval of the recommended action will set the date, time, and location for each Regular Meeting of this Finance Committees for calendar year 2023. Due to the end of the Governor's State of Emergency, concerning COVID, as well as the County of Los Angeles (County) also ending its local emergency orders as of March 31, 2023, the Authority has returned to in-person meetings. The approval of the recommended action will set the date, time, and location for each in-person Regular Meeting of this Finance Committee for the remainder of the 2023 calendar year.

Respectfully submitted,



SCOTT EDSON  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

MBC

c: Counsel to the Authority



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May 25, 2023

LA-RICS Finance Committee Members  
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Dear Committee Members:

**REVIEW AND RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT PROPOSED  
AMENDED FISCAL-YEAR 2022-23 OPERATING BUDGET**

**SUBJECT**

Staff requests the Finance Committee review the attached draft Proposed Amended Operating Budget for Fiscal-Year 2022-23, and consider recommending adoption of the same to the LA-RICS Authority's Board of Directors.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is requested the Committee recommend approval to the LA-RICS Board of Directors of the draft Proposed Amended Operating Budget to adjust funding sources for budget line items for Project Team staffing, County Counsel, Travel and Training and Services and Supplies with actual and projected expenditures/uses in Fiscal Year 2022-23. The draft budget is in accordance with the cost factors identified in the Adopted Funding Plan. This reconciliation does not increase the spending amount approved under the prior Adopted Budget.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Scott Edson".

SCOTT EDSON  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Enclosure

c: Counsel to the Authority

**AGENDA ITEM D**

**Los Angeles Regional Interoperable Communications System (LA-RICS)  
Recommended Amended Operating Budget  
Fiscal Year 2022-23**

FINANCING USES	FY 2020-21 ACTUALS	FY 2021-22 ADOPTED BUDGET	FY 2021-22 ESTIMATED	FY 2022-23 RECOMMENDED AMENDED
<b><u>GRANT FUNDED EXPENDITURES</u></b>				
<b>Project Team</b>	<b>2,840,841</b>	<b>2,400,000</b>	<b>2,400,000</b>	<b>2,915,000</b>
BTOP	131,290	0	0	0
UASI/SHSP Grant	2,709,551	2,400,000	2,400,000	2,915,000
<b>Travel &amp; Training</b>	<b>556</b>	<b>50,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>50,000</b>
BTOP	556	0	0	0
UASI/SHSP Grant	0	50,000	0	50,000
<b>Miscellaneous *(2)</b>	<b>268,345</b>	<b>500,000</b>	<b>249,785</b>	<b>500,000</b>
BTOP	0	0	0	0
UASI/SHSP Grant	268,345	500,000	249,785	500,000
<b>Other Charges *(3)</b>	<b>7,068</b>	<b>451,000</b>	<b>211,280</b>	<b>300,000</b>
BTOP	0	0	0	0
UASI/SHSP Grant	7,068	451,000	211,280	300,000
<b>Contractors/Consultants Services</b>	<b>31,956,467</b>	<b>36,642,000</b>	<b>22,735,733</b>	<b>20,832,000</b>
BTOP	3,863,492	0	0	0
UASI/SHSP Grant	28,092,975	36,642,000	22,735,733	20,832,000
<b>Total Grant Funded Expenditures</b>	<b>35,073,277</b>	<b>40,043,000</b>	<b>25,596,798</b>	<b>24,597,000</b>
<b><u>MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS*(1)</u></b>				
<b>Member Funded JPA Operations</b>				
Project Team	552,742	700,000	685,135	973,000
Travel & Training	230	28,000	0	0
Services & Supplies	5,258	40,000	4,506	8,000
Admin and Other Contractors	215,806	232,000	232,000	119,000
Miscellaneous *(2)	888	110,000	50,000	10,000
Other Charges *(3)	70,000	70,000	70,000	70,000
Lease & Other Services - Suite 100	120,000	120,000	120,000	120,000
<b>Total Member Funded JPA Operations</b>	<b>964,924</b>	<b>1,300,000</b>	<b>1,161,641</b>	<b>1,300,000</b>
LMR Administrative Cost *(1) (4)	908,000	926,000	926,000	944,000
LTE Administrative Cost	718,374	926,000	926,000	0
State Budget Act of 2022 Funds *(5)	0	0	0	944,000
<b>Total Member Contributions</b>	<b>2,591,298</b>	<b>3,152,000</b>	<b>3,013,641</b>	<b>3,188,000</b>
<b><u>AT&amp;T BUSINESS AGREEMENT PROJECTS</u></b>				
AT&T Business Agreement Services (PSBN2 Sites 21-26)	1,407,642	1,355,000	423,650	492,000
AT&T Business Agreement Services (Routers)	180,958	500,000	100,000	400,000
<b>Total AT&amp;T Business</b>	<b>1,588,600</b>	<b>1,855,000</b>	<b>523,650</b>	<b>892,000</b>
<b>TOTAL FINANCING USES</b>	<b>39,253,175</b>	<b>45,050,000</b>	<b>29,134,089</b>	<b>28,677,000</b>
<b><u>FINANCING SOURCES</u></b>				
Federal Grant Revenue		40,043,000		24,597,000
Member Contribution		3,152,000		3,188,000
AT&T Business Agreement Services (PSBN2 Sites 21-26)		1,355,000		492,000
AT&T Business Agreement Services (Routers)		500,000		400,000
<b>Total Available Financing</b>		<b>45,050,000</b>		<b>28,677,000</b>

Note 1: Member Funded JPA Operations, and LMR Administrative Cost will be paid for out of the LA-RICS AT&T Business Agreement and State Budget Act of 2022 funds.

Note 2: Fees including utilities, escort and permit fees, etc.

Note 3: Liability Insurance for LA-RICS JPA, Commercial Property Insurance and FCC Licensing.

Note 4: LMR Administrative Cost include certain costs associated with the management & implementation of the LMR Systems in accordance with the Adopted Funding Plan.

Note 5: California State Budget Act of 2022 Funds

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PROJECT TEAM	UASI/SHSGP Funding	Member Funded JPA Operations	State Budget Act of 2022 Funds	LMR Admin Cost	Yearly Costs (Salary & Employee Benefits)
<b><u>DISTRICT ATTORNEY (DA)</u></b>					
Administrative Deputy II *	0	93,356	146,644	71,813	311,813
Fiscal Officer II *	0	62,285	84,866	124,160	271,311
<b>DA Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>155,642</b>	<b>231,510</b>	<b>195,973</b>	<b>\$ 583,124</b>
<b><u>TREASURER &amp; TAX COLLECTOR (TTC)</u></b>					
Senior Secretary III	27,313	20,000	61,996	12,000	121,309
<b>TTC Total</b>	<b>27,313</b>	<b>20,000</b>	<b>61,996</b>	<b>12,000</b>	<b>\$ 121,309</b>
<b><u>PROBATION (PB)</u></b>					
Administrative Services Manager I	156,322	0	20,070	22,000	198,392
<b>PB Total</b>	<b>156,322</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>20,070</b>	<b>22,000</b>	<b>\$ 198,392</b>
<b><u>ISD</u></b>					
Administrative Services Manager III *	227,644	10,000	19,278	10,000	266,922
<b>ISD Total</b>	<b>227,644</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>19,278</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>\$ 266,922</b>
<b><u>MENTAL HEALTH (MH)</u></b>					
Administrative Services Manager I	119,016	30,000	8,915	35,900	193,831
<b>MH Total</b>	<b>119,016</b>	<b>30,000</b>	<b>8,915</b>	<b>35,900</b>	<b>\$ 193,831</b>
<b><u>REGISTRAR RECORDER COUNTY CLERK (RRCC)</u></b>					
Accounting Officer II *	0	45,000	95,252	100,570	240,822
<b>RRCC Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>45,000</b>	<b>95,252</b>	<b>100,570</b>	<b>\$ 240,822</b>
<b><u>LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF (LASD)</u></b>					
<b>S&amp;EB</b>					
Lieutenant (1)	125,606	100,000	84,392	132,544	442,542
Deputy (2)	404,527	49,000	25,098	27,704	506,329
Information Technology Manager III	197,030	18,920	49,029	34,661	299,640
S&EB Total					<b>\$ 1,248,511</b>
<b>S&amp;S</b>					
Human Resources & Procurement Services	0	10,000	0	9,424	19,424
<b>LASD Total</b>	<b>727,163</b>	<b>177,920</b>	<b>158,519</b>	<b>204,333</b>	<b>\$ 1,267,935</b>
<b><u>AUDITOR CONTROLLER (A/C)</u></b>					
<b>S&amp;EB</b>					
Principal Accountant	0	3,700		12,169	15,869
Supervising Accountant	0	10,000	19,255	11,076	40,331
Accountant II	0	43,520	48,557	2,506	94,583
<b>S&amp;S</b>					
Travel Administrative Cost	0	0	1,000	2,000	3,000
Single Audit	0	0	5,000	25,000	30,000
<b>A/C Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>57,220</b>	<b>73,812</b>	<b>52,751</b>	<b>\$ 183,783</b>
<b><u>COUNTY COUNSEL</u></b>					
Principal/Senior County Counsel (4)	99,704	410,000	0	33,658	543,363
<b>County Counsel Total</b>	<b>99,704</b>	<b>410,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>33,658</b>	<b>\$ 543,363</b>

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PROJECT TEAM	UASI/SHSGP Funding	Member Funded JPA Operations	State Budget Act of 2022 Funds	LMR Admin Cost	Yearly Costs (Salary & Employee Benefits)
<b>INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT (ISD)</b>					
Sr. Telecom Systems Engineer (3)	579,754	45,000	10,000	25,078	659,832
Supervising Telecom System Engineer	97,998	22,218	77,355	50,000	247,571
Communication Tower & Line Supervisor (2)	315,038	0	10,000	10,000	335,038
Sr. Electronics Communications Technician (2)	322,067	0	10,000	10,000	342,067
<b>ISD Total</b>	<b>1,314,857</b>	<b>67,218</b>	<b>107,355</b>	<b>95,078</b>	<b>\$ 1,584,508</b>
<b>LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE (FR)</b>					
Fire Captain (1)	243,217	0	0	0	243,217
<b>FR Total</b>	<b>243,217</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$ 243,217</b>
<b>UNFILLED POSITIONS</b>					
Administrative Services Manager I	104,396	20,000	61,996	12,000	198,392
Deputy (3)	354,142	50,000	50,000	100,000	554,142
Executive Assistant	189,298	37,543	19,576	15,071	261,488
Fire Fighter Specialist	212,000	0	0	0	212,000
Information Technology Specialist I	269,478	9,238	8,355	0	287,071
Operations Assistant III	109,170	20,000	15,657	8,000	152,827
Senior Management Secretary III	114,306	20,000	11,290	25,958	171,554
Sergeant	142,092	29,513	12,501	48,835	232,941
Underfilled Items Savings	660,066	0	0	0	660,066
	<b>2,154,948</b>	<b>186,294</b>	<b>179,375</b>	<b>209,864</b>	<b>\$ 2,730,480</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,070,184</b>	<b>1,159,294</b>	<b>956,082</b>	<b>972,127</b>	<b>8,157,686</b>
<b>Salary Savings</b>	<b>-2,154,947</b>	<b>-186,294</b>	<b>-179,375</b>	<b>-209,864</b>	<b>\$ (2,730,480)</b>
<b>Total Budgeted Project Team for FY 22-23</b>	<b>2,915,237</b>	<b>973,000</b>	<b>776,707</b>	<b>762,263</b>	<b>5,427,206</b>

\* These Positions are Underfills

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<b>GRANT FUNDED - CONTRACTORS/CONSULTANTS</b>	<b>Maximum Contract Sum</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>
Project Construction Management	3,772,000	UASI 21 & UASI 22
MISC County Contracts ( DPW, CEO, CEO RED, RP, & ISD )	100,000	UASI 22
Telecommunications & Design Contractors	15,000,000	UASI 21 & UASI 22
	<u>1,960,000</u>	SHSGP 22
<b>TOTAL GRANT FUNDED CONTRACTORS / CONSULTANT SERVICES</b>	<b>\$ 20,832,000</b>	

**MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS**

<b>- MEMBER FUNDED JPA OPERATIONS (Member Funded)</b>		<b>Funding Source</b>
Project Team	973,000	Member Funded
Travel & Training	0	Member Funded
Services & Supplies	8,000	Member Funded
Admin and Other Contractors (Executive Director)	119,000	Member Funded
Miscellaneous	10,000	Member Funded
Other Charges	70,000	Member Funded
Lease & Other Services - Suite 100	120,000	Member Funded
<b>Total Member Funded JPA Operations</b>	<b>\$ 1,300,000</b>	

<b>- LMR ADMINISTRATIVE COST (MEMBER FUNDED)</b>		<b>Funding Source</b>
Project Team	762,000	Member Funded
Professional Consultants	133,000	Member Funded
Services, Supplies, Travel, lease & Misc	49,000	Member Funded
<b>Total LMR Administrative Cost</b>	<b>\$ 944,000</b>	

<b>- STATE BUDGET ACT OF 2022 FUNDS (MEMBER FUNDED)</b>		<b>Funding Source</b>
Project Team	777,000	Member Funded
Services, Supplies, Travel, lease, Other Charges & Misc	167,000	Member Funded
<b>Total State Budget Act of 2022</b>	<b>\$ 944,000</b>	

**TOTAL MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS**

**\$ 3,188,000**

<b>AT&amp;T BUSINESS AGREEMENT SERVICES (PSBN2 Sites 21-26)</b>		<b>Funding Source</b>
Professional Consultants	492,000	AT&T Business Agreement Services
<b>TOTAL AT&amp;T BUSINESS AGREEMENT SERVICES (PSBN 2 SITES 21-26)</b>	<b>\$ 492,000</b>	

<b>AT&amp;T BUSINESS AGREEMENT SERVICES (BAS - Routers)</b>		<b>Funding Source</b>
Professional Consultants & Swap Services Providers	400,000	AT&T Business Agreement Services
<b>TOTAL AT&amp;T BUSINESS AGREEMENT SERVICES (ROUTERS)</b>	<b>\$ 400,000</b>	