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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

**LOS ANGELES REGIONAL
INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AUTHORITY**

Monday, June 15, 2020 • 9:00 a.m.

Teleconference Special Meeting

Meeting Call-in Number for Board Members and Public:

(562) 526-3800

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Board Members Present:

Sachi Hamai, CEO, County of Los Angeles
Daryl L. Osby, Vice-Chair, Fire Chief, County of Los Angeles Fire Dept.
Mark Glatt, Chief, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Dept.
Cathy Chidester, Dir., EMS Agency, County of LADHS
Chris Donovan, Fire Chief, City of El Segundo Fire Dept.
Joe Ortiz, Chief of Police, City of South Pasadena Police Dept.
Mark Alexander, City Manager, CA Contract Cities Assoc.
Mark Fronterotta, Chief of Police, City of Inglewood Police Dept.
Chris Nunley, Chief of Police, City of Signal Hill Police Dept.

Alternates For Board Members Present:

David Povero, Captain, City of Covina Police Dept.

Officers Present:

Scott Edson, LA-RICS Executive Director
Priscilla Dalrymple, LA-RICS Board Secretary

Absent:

None

NOTE: ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY ITEM IDENTIFIED ON THE AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER

Alternate Chair, Mark Glatt, called the regular meeting and special meeting of the Board to order concurrently at 9:02 a.m.

II. ANNOUNCE QUORUM – Roll Call

Alternate Chair Glatt asked for a roll call and acknowledged a quorum was present.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (A)

A. May 7, 2020 – Minutes

Alternate Chair Glatt asked if there were any questions or comments from the Board.

There were none.

Board Member Cathy Chidester motioned first, seconded by Board Member Mark Alexander.

Ayes 10: Alexander, Chidester, Donovan, Fronterotta, Glatt, Hamai, Nunley, Ortiz, Osby, and Povero.

MOTION APPROVED.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS – NONE

V. CONSENT CALENDAR – NONE

VI. REPORTS (B-E)

B. Director's Report – Scott Edson

Executive Director Scott Edson stated it has been just over five weeks since our last meeting and much has happened around the world, including right here in Los Angeles County. With COVID-19 delays, civil disorder interruptions, large peaceful crowds all effecting our program, and LA-RICS continues to progress and succeed.

As many of you know, one of the greatest benefits of the National Public Safety Broadband Network (NPSBN) are the priority and preemption services built into the network to ensure public safety always has a connection and always has available capacity for their daily and emergent needs. The greatest benefit to the Los Angeles

region is the public safety grade aspect of the network built in Round 1, and that AT&T FirstNet has absorbed, and the additional sites being built in Round 2, AT&T FirstNet will also absorb.

These sites are the only area of the nation where the NPSBN is built to public safety grade, which really means the sites have “LMR like” structural integrity, network redundancy, and power redundancy. All that will greatly benefit the Los Angeles region during an earthquake, other natural disaster or major emergency.

Executive Director Edson stated over the last week or two, many have seen large crowds gathering in Downtown Los Angeles, and other cities here and across the nation, and everyone in attendance had a cell phone in hand and was using social media. There were numerous reports by the media of cell sites being overwhelmed and the media was unable to make phone calls or send pictures and video to their studios, with no complaints from users on the NPSBN since AT&T FirstNet service provides priority and preemption services to the public safety agencies who were in the area using the same cell site. A report from AT&T on cell site usage at these major rallies and for details on how the AT&T FirstNet network performed has been requested, and will share that information once received.

In regards to the Long Term Evolution (LTE) update, over the last three weeks we have recently gone from having permits stuck at County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works (DPW) to now twenty (20) sites under construction, with fourteen (14) sites scheduled to complete construction by June 30, 2020, and six (6) more sites scheduled to complete by July 7, 2020.

Executive Director Edson went on to state the federal grantor recognized the importance these sites have in the region and approved a no-cost extension allowing work to continue through July 7, 2020, giving an additional week to bring in an additional six (6) sites. To get the sites unstuck and under construction in time, was a herculean LA-RICS team effort, which you will hear about shortly from the Program Director. He will provide you greater detail of the work accomplished to date, under Discussion Item F. We continue to experience COVID-19 related delays; and those delays are reflected in the scheduled completion dates just shared with the Board.

Additionally, the Sheriff and Executive Director Edson reached out to the Los Angeles County Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to seek DC legislative support to help obtain more time for completion of the six (6) remaining sites, out of the twenty-six (26) planned, and are awaiting a response. In parallel, we continue to work closely with the grantor and AT&T to bring all twenty-six (26) sites into the NPSBN.

Executive Director Edson stated the team continues to work with National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), AT&T, and others, by

completing the twenty (20) sites, and will receive payment per your Board approved Business Agreement with AT&T, of \$3 million payable at delivery of the first thirteen (13) sites, and the final \$3 million payable at delivery of the final 13 sites. We are working with our partners at AT&T to ensure payment of all sites delivered, but more importantly, to ensure all 26 sites are completed and incorporated into the NPSBN, as it greatly benefits the region. Agenda Item L reflects funds carried over from the Initial Business Agreement payment, plus use of a portion of the \$3 million payable at assignment of the first 13 new sites, and showing we are fully funded for Fiscal-Year (FY) 2020-21.

Agenda Items O and P reflect accelerated activities, which were originally contemplated in the request for funding augmentation sent to NTIA in December of 2019, and approved by NTIA at the end of February of 2020. These amendments take into consideration certain acceleration activities required to complete work by the grant performance period end date and are approved by the grantor.

Executive Director Edson stated additionally, these accelerated activities did not take into account the COVID-19 delays we later experienced, and continue to experience, as they were not known at the time.

Finally, members of the team including a LASD Subject Matter Expert are traveling to Arizona this month to witness the testing of our new Cell On Light Truck (CoLT) and Cab Over Pickup Truck (CoPT) emergency response communications vehicles. Despite COVID-19 impacting satellite equipment delivery, the teams have pushed hard for completion of these mission-critical assets, and succeeded. Executive Director Edson congratulated various team members on their hard work and stated, these vehicles will be transferred to the LASD and become part of their county-wide, Mobile Communications Unit.

Executive Director Edson stated in regards to the LMR update, progress with much success continues. Project Manager Delfino will provide more details in his report as Agenda Item C.

As of today, twenty (25) sites have completed construction with eighteen (18) sites under construction, which is forty-three (43) sites of this fifty-eight (58) site system are either substantially completed or are under construction. The remaining fifteen (15) sites will start construction before the end of this calendar year.

There are forty-five (45) building permits in hand with the remaining 13 in progress. Within the remaining 13 are two (2) are United States Forest Service (USFS) sites pending Special Use Permits, and five (5) Coastal sites pending Conditional Use Permits (CUP). Upon construction completion, we will undergo final system testing in

2021, followed by system acceptance, and are currently scheduled to go live in March of 2022.

Executive Director Edson also stated LA-RICS is fully funded through this point, and upon going live, the plan is to transition to a membership subscription model that is still in development. Additionally, grant funding should be awarded to our system maintenance, as other agencies are asking and receiving that now. The team is still developing the membership subscription model with input and assistance from the Joint Operations and Technical, and Finance Committees. Executive Director Edson encourages the Board to ensure they have a designated member on each committee. The meetings are public and encourage anyone to attend. The final recommendation will come before you at a later date.

Discussion items are included in your agenda that address two items impacting, or with the potential to impact, the LMR schedule. One is Agenda Item G, Frequency Interference Issues in which will summarize some of the history including items brought to your Board historically for action, as well as, a path forward. Agenda Item I, has more details on the Coastal Sites.

For the Coastal sites, on May 5, 2020, an exemption notice was received for the Castro Peak (CPK) site and on May 6, 2020, an exemption notice was received for the Topanga Canyon (TOP) site. This was a long awaited milestone and Executive Director stated he would like to take this opportunity to thank the teams for their hard work on this, including Deputy Project Manager Tanya Roth, the Motorola (MSI) team led by their subcontractor James Lopez, as well as the Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning (DRP) lead planner Kevin Finkel. Two (2) coastal sites down, five (5) more to go.

Executive Director Edson stated we are in close communications with DRP Director Amy Bodek, and she stated *"We are committed to doing what we can to keep the LA RICS projects on track, and understand the timelines you are facing. I am also familiar with the incredible value the LA RICS program is meant to deliver to all county agencies, as well as other jurisdictions."*

Executive Director Edson acknowledged Ms. Bodek and went on record thanking her very much for her support. A call is scheduled for this week with our team and the DRP team and will be sure to report back to your board on status. Agenda Item I will provide additional details on a path forward for the Coastal Sites.

Sites: TOP and CPK - are coastal exempted sites that should have had permits ready immediately following exemption notice, however we continue to work with MSI to incorporate authority comments, complete a full site design and obtain building permits for these two exempted sites.

As for DPK the team is assisting MSI with a special report and then need Coastal approval; BJM, TWR and LACF072, these sites are pending coastal approval.

In regards to LMR RPVT, this site was impacted by the change in direction of the County. CEO Real Estate Department (RED) fully negotiated an agreement and it was placed on the County Board agenda in September 2019. Days following the agenda posting, the County reached out to LA-RICS and informed the team the item needed to be pulled from the County's agenda as it had been discovered Parks and Recreation had jurisdiction over this site. At that time the Authority was required to restart access discussions with County Parks. There were many twists and turns, however, after much pressure on our part we achieved a solution via Memoranda of Understanding (MOU), which was presented to your board earlier this year. An additional change at the request of the County, which will be addressed under Agenda Item M is before you today.

We continue to work with MSI to get the following sites back on track, while in parallel, also working together to bring in any items on the schedule, for example, the coastal sites and the following sites:

- UNIV – MSI was to complete drawings and building permit;
- GRM – MSI was to complete drawings and building permit;
- MTL2 – MSI was to complete drawings and building permit;
- SPN – MSI was to complete drawings and building permit;
- ESR – MSI was to complete drawings and building permit by May,20 2020, and still need the Special Use Permit; and
- SPH – MSI is scheduled to complete drawings and building permit by August 20, 2020.

Together with MSI and Southern California Edison (SCE), we are still working on a power solution for BUR and the Special Use Permit.

Executive Director Edson thanked the Board Members for reaching out, expressing words of encouragement and offering support over the past few weeks. It is through continued partnership and with so many others, that we will achieve our goal of mission critical operable communications and county-wide interoperable communications, in this region. Success allows the team to better serve the public!

This concludes the Director's Report.

Board Member Mark Fronterotta acknowledged Executive Director Edson and the LA-RICS staff, and stated this is an extraordinary time for all of us with COVID-19 and

the civil unrest that has occurred and commended the staff for working diligently through these obstacles and keeping focus.

There was no further discussion.

C. Project Manager's Report – Justin Delfino

Project Manager Justin Delfino presented Agenda Item C on the following topics:

LTE Round 2 Highlights

Current Status:

Project Manager Justin Delfino presented the current status and stated a No Cost extension was granted for (6) sites allowing completion of twenty (20) sites. The primary benefit of the extension to July 7, 2020, is that two (2) sites are located inside of operational SCE substations and will benefit from the additional work time. Several RFQ responses have been returned to the Authority resulting in change orders for acceleration of work which includes overtime and double time charges. In addition to acceleration the Authority has also asked contractors for deductive change orders to reduce some of the previously bid work at several project locations; and these value engineering changes should all be received by the next JPA board meeting. The Project Team and contractors are working hard to make the June 30, 2020, deadline. Contractors are making great progress on the sites several of which are 50% or better in completion. Project Manager Delfino recognize Mark Revis and Rosalyn Knowlton for their great work and efforts along with the contractors expediting equipment orders as well as putting forth the overtime efforts.

ENVIRONMENTAL

Environmental compliance monitoring has been completed during construction activity at all 20 sites.

LABOR COMPLIANCE

No labor compliance disputes, or open cases, and no accidents, or injuries reported to date.

Program Director Odenthal will provide additional and more specific details on LTE2 in general in a briefing to follow this report.

LMR Highlights

CONSTRUCTION OVERVIEW

Project Manager Delfino presented the construction overview and stated permits issued to date are 78% completed and the SAA process is 90% completed. Construction work on approximately 70% of sites have started and equipment ordering is 89% completed. Zero recordable injuries to date and 1,150 workers have been WEAP trained.

Channel 15 interference is being mitigated by the planned use of Channel 16 for the Catalina Cell as well as the West and North Desert. MSI and the Authority have agreed to reconfigure prime sites from base plans. The fire plan was successfully re-written to allow more work while not exposing the Forest to wildlife dangers including fire. System completion is expected in March 2022 as indicated in the May 12, 2020, integrated master schedule from MSI.

Impacts:

Project Manager Delfino stated the impacts of COVID-19 have been felt on LMR as well, where delivery of certain LMR equipment such as generators and ATS's have been hampered. In addition, vandalism and theft of contractor equipment has been reported in this period. Positive news; vandals were arrested at DPW038 where the site has been victimized on three (3) previous occasions. RIH and RHT are impacted by birds' specifically a nesting crow and Gnat Catcher. However, in both cases some work was allowed to continue. At RHT the crow nest was not disturbed while shelter work continued at grade level. The fledglings are expected to leave by the third week in June. At RIH the Gnat Catcher will force the work to cease until September 1, 2020, however the crew will be allowed to install the tower foundation, since the excavations were open at the time of the bird sighting and leaving the excavations open presents a significant safety hazard.

USFS SITES

Program Manager Delfino stated the focus this month will be on the design completion of ESR and BUR1, which are the only two (2) forest sites not yet under construction, but are planned for construction this fall. The team is remaining compliant with the USFS rules and ordinances during construction.

COASTAL SITES – Critical Path

Project Manager Steve Page, Tom Molina, and Jim Hoyt have done a great job managing the Coastal process in addition to the names mentioned in the Executive Directors report. All five (5) submittal package have been submitted to the Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning for review.

SAA's

Project Manager Delfino stated there are six (6) outstanding SAAs for the following sites: USFS (BUR1, ESR), Coastal (TWR, BJM, DPK). Deputy Program Manager Tanya Roth will further address SAA's in great detail in a subsequent discussion item/report.

Current Focus:

Project Manager Delfino stated the safety of build-out's is of paramount importance at this stage in the Program. MSI and its' contractors have struggled in some areas such as those pointed out in the Directors' Report with drawings, for example, but are improving on efforts spear headed by MSI Project Manager Jeff Pugay, and have gotten noticeably better particularly with compliance in the US forest. Phase 4b look-ahead schedules for Los Angeles County Internal Services Department (ISD) coordination are now being distributed to allow proper notification and coordination for field visits and work appointments. Such look-ahead documents will be crucial in planning efforts for the narrow-banding of Channel 16 as well. USFS site construction remains a focus since each site requires so much compliance and interdepartmental coordination. The GMT site hit a significant milestone when it completed the 3-mile power run, which is the longest utility run in the program. Site and Cell optimization work is underway as well as close-out of previously completed Phase 2 work.

This concludes the Project Manager's Report.

Board Member Fronterotta stated he has an elevated appreciation for safety at these sites because he recently had a tragedy at the Sofi Stadium construction site; which was on the news and is happy to hear no injuries or compliance issues and commends the team for their efforts.

There was no further discussion.

D. Joint Operations and Technical Committee Chairs Report – Lieutenant Sven Crongeyer

Lieutenant Sven Crongeyer presented Agenda Item D and stated ongoing planned meetings continue with MSI regarding narrow banding and fleet mapping efforts, which has been positive and moving forward and went on to state other items for discussion are the CoLT and CoPT status, which is what Executive Director Edson mentioned earlier and on track to be delivered as early as the end of this month. LASD will be receiving those vehicles' and ensuring that the LA-RICS members will have access.

This concludes the Chairs Report.

There was no further discussion.

E. Finance Committee Chairs Report – John Geiger

Finance Committee Chair John Geiger presented Agenda Item E and stated the Finance Committee met on May 21, 2020, and that meeting was held via teleconference and there were two (2) items on the Agenda, which are also before your Board in today's Agenda.

The first item that came before the Finance Committee was the Proposed Amended Budget for Fiscal-Year 2019-20, which has an increase of approximately \$1.7 million to reconcile payment on certain Broadband Phase 1 equipment. The committee unanimously approved and recommended to your Board as Agenda Item VIII - K.

The second item was the Proposed Operating Budget for Fiscal-year 2020-21, which was also unanimously approved by the committee and recommended to your Board as Agenda Item VIII -L. Finance Committee Chair Geiger noted the item the committee voted on is slightly different than the one that is before you this morning. The item before you this morning includes grant funds for Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) activities, which will continue beyond the performance deadline of June 30, 2020, to July 7, 2020. These are the two action items.

Lastly, Finance Committee Chair Geiger stated there was a report on LMR financing and LA-RICS is currently in the process of closing out UASI 17 and spending UASI 18, which will merge UASI 19 into the UASI 18 spend. UASI 18; \$35 million and UASI 19; \$35 million as the final funds committed by the UASI Authority to build out of the LMR system.

This concludes the Chairs Report.

There was no further discussion.

Board Member Sachi Hamai stated on Reports B through E, and upon receive and file, she would like to abstain on receive and file of Agenda Item B. Board Member Mark Alexander motioned first to receive and file, and seconded by Board Member Hamai to receive and file Reports B through E, abstaining from receipt of Agenda Item B.

VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS (F-J)

F. PSBN Round 2 Status Update – Chris Odenthal

Program Director Chris Odenthal presented Agenda Item F and stated he will discuss what has transpired over the last four to five weeks as well as conversations with NTIA and what approvals/progress the team has made. As mentioned previously by Executive Director Edson, there is an upcoming trip to Arizona for the CoLTs.

Objective two of three that we had originally proposed. The coverage argumentation is objective one and the third one is focused on Interoperability. The two land owners we targeted specifically were the Judicial Courts of California (JCC) and Southern California Edison (SCE), these two took the longest to get through the permitting and permission process. The SCE sites are the six (6) that will be completed by July 7, 2020. Due to the delays associated with these sites, the team had an initial conversation with NTIA, requesting an extension into the grant performance period. That initial conversation was positive from the Federal Program Officer. As the building permit process was proceeding, it became clear that there were delays because the offices were closed due to COVID-19. Permits originally expected in March and April were only beginning to be received in mid-May. This two-month delay due to the closure pushed the site completions into July and NTIA put a hold because they needed a justification of those sites going into July and August.

Program Director Odenthal stated Executive Director Edson asked to provide a realistic number to your Board and the government on what we can accomplish and how the number jumped up to twenty (20). The team undertook a full schedule review and what scope items could be trimmed. The team matched up the sites based on which contractor was performing the work based on Information for Bids (IFB). LA-RICS had pre-qualified six (6) contractors in the pool that have come before your Board over the last five months. In some cases, the team moved to secondary bidders because the conversation with the winning contractor did not allow the site to be completed by June 30, 2020. The vetting of the award and decision to move forward was based on the length of time and cost to complete and consisted of a change order process, acceleration process, and or a change in scope reduction and was led by Justin Delfino and Mark Revis. LASD Star Center has a block wall and we were able to reduce it to a chain fence and saved \$25,000, but more importantly a week's worth of time. Each site went under a thorough review to reduce cost and save time. The initial examination of the sites eligible for completion by June 30, 2020 contained fourteen (14) sites. Each of the six (6) SCE sites required a further discussion with SCE with initial notification to them stating that we would not be able to complete any of them within the grant performance deadline. This conversation took place on June 1, 2020, and SCE realized they stood to lose \$4.4 million in revenue over the life of the agreement.

Program Director Odenthal went on to state as Executive Director Edson stated, an option of six (6) more sites to finish in the week of July 7, 2020, was sought and approved from NTIA. Once approved, the team immediately conducted all pre-construction and environmental walks over a three (3) day period to ensure construction starts would occur on schedule to complete. These processes with SCE were substantial and we were able to get permits from DPW and SCE with all SCE sites in construction by June 8, 2020, to meet the July 7, 2020, completion date.

Program Director Odenthal stated all work with the SCE team coincided with the efforts of Deputy Manager Tanya Roth and Eric Lim at DPW getting the permits done in the month of May and the SCE sites approved the first week of June. In addition, Chief Daryl Osby, one of your staff members Captain Frank Garrido spent a great deal of time ensuring that Los Angeles County Fire Department (LACoFD) had all the information to approve fire permits. Overall, these are the details on what has occurred in the last few weeks from a planning, execution, organization process.

Lastly, from a site progress perspective, the team has 20 sites that are in construction; CRN2, MVS2, Del Valle2, Whitaker Middle Peak2, Portal Ridge2, and Thomsen all have towers up and foundation is poured at Cougar which is in Covina, Irwindale Police Department (PD), Azusa Canyon, SCENOLA and SCEPLM are ready for tower stacking, with over half of the sites ready for installation of equipment and this all has occurred in the last two (2) weeks. Once the building permits came in the team was able to move forward in parallel with all the LMR activity going forward as well. As stated by Justin Delfino early in his report, the LA-RICS team has been working on building the USFS sites for about four (4) years with all but two of the 13 USFS sites under construction. From an LTE perspective this is where the team stands; what towers are up and which sites are going and how the team got there and happy to answer any questions the Board may have.

Board Member Mark Fronterotta stated he's reviewed information received updating the Board on activities to date and asked to confirm there will be 14 sites that will be completed by end of June. Program Director Odenthal clarified 14 will be constructed by June 30, 2020, with an additional 6 SCE sites that will be constructed by July 7, 2020. Initially, we were instructed to cancel work at those sites, with cancelation of equipment orders and stop work for entitlements. The federal grantor later approved the extension through July 7, 2020, which allowed the teams to re-engage work at the 6 SCE sites taking the site count to 20 total. Board Member Fronterotta asked what is required to complete the 6 remaining sites to complete the 26 site program, do we need another extension from the grantor? Program Director Odenthal stated we would need additional time through the end of July to complete 4 additional sites and would require time beyond the grant appropriation period in order to complete the final 2 of the 26 sites (POLB1 and POM2). Board Member Fronterotta asked if we'd requested an extension to the grant appropriation to complete the final sites as he doesn't want to lose any sites. Executive Director Edson responded yes we asked for an extension for those additional six (6) sites and were denied, so we have gone to the County CEO's Office to use their DC Lobbyist/legislative support and are awaiting an answer from the CEO's Office. Board Member Hamai stated she is speaking on behalf of the CEO's office and recommended this be discussed in closed session as on face value simply going and using County's lobbyist to ask for an extension / ask for additional roll-over funds, because we did this six (6) years ago and several Board Members were on the Board at that time and advocated for the extension of the BTOP funds. Board Member

Hamai stated she does not disagree this system is important to the whole County as a region and thinks there are other underlying issues that need to be addressed because it is happening again, at the eleventh hour asking for an act of Congress for additional funds for this program, and stated she would ask for the opportunity to have this discussion with the Board in closed session. Executive Director Edson stated the team believes we can finish four (4) more sites by July 31, 2020, as well as confirm to grantor we will be closing out sites as they complete and not waiting until the end of July to submit all 24. And that is why we would just like to have a discussion with the DC Lobbyist to explore what options are available by way of an administrative extension or an appropriation extension and thus would appreciate if the discussion in closed session could consider allowing for the conversation with the lobbyist to explore whether that could be helpful. Board Member Hamai stated the Executive Director has had conversations with the DC folks often and said he is aware how difficult it is to make this request to ask for an extension / rollover of funds. Executive Director Edson stated the first step is a request to have a discussion with DC Lobbyist and he understood Board Member Hamai concern asking for this request at the eleventh hour with certain things impacting the project being out of our control, as it was in 2015. Executive Director turned the agenda back to the Board for any additional questions of Program Director Chris Odenthal.

Board Member Mark Alexander stated based on the chart included in the report for the Pomona 2 site this site will finish by July 31, 2020, and you indicated in your request that you do not think we will make that date and asked for a projection date. Program Director Odenthal stated with every day that passes where we are not allowed to proceed with work at a site the completion date is impacted, and that is why we do not believe it will finish by July 31, 2020, because we have not been authorized to complete the entitlements since the date your agenda was posted. The site would certainly be partially complete by that date but the start date is what determines how much scope would be completed and at this point if we received authorization to proceed we could complete by August 10, 2020.

There was no further discussion.

G. Frequency Interference Issues – Chris Odenthal and Ted Pao

Program Director Chris Odenthal and Technical Lead Engineer Ted Pao presented Agenda Item G, Ted Pao stated will be reporting on interference issues and how they are affecting the LMR project. LA-RICS LMR is utilizing Channels 14, 15, and 16 to build the LMR voice system and the narrow band data network. The narrowband data network is different from LTE1 and LTE2. Ted Pao stated the history of Channels 14 and 16 in Los Angeles where many public safety agencies have been utilizing the two channels and Channel 20 in this region. In 2008, FCC granted the County of Los Angeles licenses to utilize Channel 15 for building out a voice interoperable system

for all public safety agencies in this region. Just for Board's information, we have been using Channel 15 for our early deployment system since 2015. The original migration plan is to use Channel 15 to transition users from their current system to the LA-RICS DTVRS system. When the transition is completed, our ACVRS and NMDN sub-system can operate on Channels 14 and 16. So, having Channel 15 gives a great deal of freedom on the transition. In the Summer of 2018, we discovered there was an interference issue and tracked down the main source, which is a TV station in Tijuana, Mexico. Los Angeles County is the license holder of the Channel 15 spectrum so it is handling the resolution of this interference with Mexico through the FCC. Because of this interference issue, LA-RICS held off on deployment of Channel 15 equipment as the interference is impacting about 30% to 40% of our sites, which are located in the southern, western, and Catalina Island areas. In April 2019, the team also discovered interference at one of our sites Tejon Peak in the northwestern corner of the County from a TV station in Bakersfield on Channel 15 and another TV station from Fresno on Channel 16. In July 2019, interference on the LASD and Fire system on Channel 16 is causing operational issues for the users. That interference was traced to a TV station in San Diego. There is a solution with the TV station in San Diego but has yet to be implemented due to COVID-19 impact. The team has completed a new frequency plan to mitigate the interference issues on Channel 15. These are tough technical issues that the team has to work on to mitigate. MSI needs the County to resolve the interference issue by October 30, 2020, in order not to impact its implementation schedule.

Program Director Chris Odenthal added the team had to go deeper than planned into the Los Angeles frequency pool. The real challenge was what frequency Channels will the team have to touch because of the Channel 15 interference. The intent was also for the LASD system design to use Channels 14 and 16 to deploy elsewhere across the narrow band mobile network as well as the network at LA-RICS.

Alternate Chair Mark Glatt asked Ted Pao to clarify the resolution on Channel 16 you spoke of was strictly for the Channel 16 interference issue. Ted Pao stated yes San Diego and Fresno are on Channel 16 so they can be resolve through FCC. But, as far as a resolution for Channel 15 in Tijuana, FCC has very limited ability to resolve this because Channel 15 was part of the TV Repacking deal that involves an international treaty between United States and Mexico. Alternate Chair Mark Glatt asked to clarify how Channel 16 will mitigate Channel 15's interference. Ted Pao stated yes, once we fix the issue with Channel 16 with San Diego and Fresno, it will allow us to deploy our equipment with Channel 16 frequencies at our southern, western, and Catalina sites that are impacted by Channel 15 from Mexico.

There was no further discussion.

H. Equipment Purchased and Not Deployed in Public Safety Broadband Network Round 1 – Susy Orellana-Curtiss

Administrative Deputy Susy Orellana-Curtiss presented Agenda Item H and stated a summary of equipment purchased out of PSBN Round 1 and that was intended and planned for use in PSBN Round 2. Given the latest update provided under the Round 2 plan the purpose of this item is to provide your Board with history, summary, and a look ahead on use of PSBN Round 1 equipment under the existing 20-site deployment while we continue to work with our partners to complete all 26 sites. As some Members of the Board may recall back in March 2015, while in the midst of building PSBN Round 1 deployment, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (BOS) took action to remove seventy-five (75) sites from PSBN planned deployment. Many of those sites had started construction with equipment deployed and had to be decommissioned with your Board considering action taken to further remediate some of those sites. On April 1, 2015, as a result of the County Board action the City of Los Angeles also took action to also remove sites from PSBN plan deployment, an additional twenty-five (25) sites, resulting in a total of one hundred (100) sites removed from Round 1. Immediately following the County and City's action, the Federal grantor suspended the BTOP grant on April 3, 2015, which resulted in suspension of all grant-funded activity even at sites that were not impacted by County and City action. The grantor required a plan of what could be done with equipment while considering cost incurred at sites that needed to be removed before they would allow us to move forward. On April 13, 2015, the team provided a Corrective Action Plan to the federal grantor, which identified a system contemplating reduction of sites while in parallel showing how we were able to mitigate loss of coverage due to the reduction of sites. On May 1, 2015, the grantor lifted the suspension and allowed us to move forward with the 76 sites deployment. With the lifting of the suspension on May 1, 2015, that effectively gave us two months to complete that program and also reduced our reward from \$154 million to \$117 million.

Administrative Deputy Susy Orellana-Curtiss stated as Board Member Hamai mentioned on September 29, 2015, one day short of the fund appropriation sunset date the County was able to obtain via legislative support, an appropriation extension achieved via an act of Congress; which extended the program completion date to September 30, 2020. Despite the fact the team presented a Project Implementation Plan to the federal grantor on how it proposed to build out additional sites under PSBN Round 2, identifying use for some of that undeployed equipment purchased for Round 1, the grantor required FirstNet award its contract to the builder that was going to build the national PSBN, the grantor communicated to LA-RICS to hold off on implementation of the Coverage Augmentation Objective until we knew what direction FirstNet was going to take and who the contract would be awarded to and how the NPSBN solution would be achieved. In March 2017, FirstNet announced the award went to AT&T who later identified use of existing AT&T network sites as part of the NPSBN solution. The team worked aggressively with AT&T to ensure PSBN Round 1

sites would be incorporated into their National solution which was very important again because our sites were built to public safety grade and further complicated because the Plan that had been shared with the grantor at the time considered augmentation of coverage to our existing PSBN Round 1 deployment and had not considered AT&T existing commercial sites in the design plan. Therefore, the team had to go back to the drawing board together with AT&T as a partner and come up with a new implementation plan to roll into the NPSBN solution. One other gating factor holding up our ability to proceed with the coverage augmentation solution (PSBN Round 2) was the Governor's decision to opt-in or opt-out of the NPSBN. On December 29, 2017, the Governor announced the state would opt-in. These were additional delays following selection of the NPSBN vendor and Governor decision in waiting for NTIA to review the revised proposal we'd prepared taking AT&T into consideration. Your Board was supportive in sending letters to the federal grantor urging them to provide their approval on the Coverage Augmentation objective and it wasn't until late, October 2018, the grantor approved and allowed us to move forward and build out these sites. Once those approvals were received, we were able to move forward with site design, geotechnical investigations and other activities that were not allowed until late October of 2018. At that time, we moved on to a new problem which required us to work aggressively with AT&T to identify equipment that had been procured and received for PSBN Round 1 sites in 2015 as some of this equipment was outdated and did not provide the functionality with AT&T's existing sites and equipment. Utilizing Round 1 equipment became a problem because that equipment was ordered for specific sites that did not contemplate AT&T's network. The equipment was purchased for sites identified within the Los Angeles County region and now was forming part of a national solution. After negotiations with AT&T we developed a use of \$3.3 million of PSBN Round 1 equipment, for use in what we call PSBN Round 2. This item is to update your Board that now with the twenty (20) sites approved by the grantor to move forward there is approximately \$2.6 million of equipment that will be utilized, which leaves approximately \$700,000 worth of equipment tied to the six (6) sites that we are aggressively working with the federal grantor NTIA and our partners at AT&T to ensure the equipment fulfills its purpose and use and forms part of the National deployment.

This item is before your Board to answer any questions you may have. There was no further discussion.

I. Coastal sites, Issues and Progress to date – Tanya Roth

Deputy Program Manager Tanya Roth presented Agenda Item I and stated the purpose of this item was to provide an update on the seven (7) LMR sites under the purview of the California Coastal Commission. She explained that the Department of Regional Planning (DRP) administers the local coastal programs for these sites, and that the seven (7) fall under two (2) Local Implementation Plans (LIPs), the Santa Monica Mountains LIP and the Santa Catalina Island LIP. She elaborated on how the team

has worked with DRP to finalize submittal packages for all seven (7) sites over the last nine months and how the designated DRP Point of Contact, Kevin Finkel, has been an instrumental person who understands the importance of LA-RICS and in turn has been able to provide clear direction on the path forward. Following a Kick-Off meeting with Kevin and staff to discuss in detail each of these seven (7) sites in August 2019, DRP transmitted a customized checklist for LA-RICS submittals. Additional in-person meetings took place to address design adjustments and clarifications, so that each submittal would (a) meet code parameter and (b) sufficiently justify design via a very thorough technical analysis of the placement of antennas and microwaves on each tower.

Deputy Program Manager Tanya Roth reviewed the location of the (4) sites belonging to the Santa Monica Mountains LIP and confirmed that Topanga Peak and Castro Peak secured exemptions in early May with the remaining (2) in this LIP, Saddle Peak and Fire Station 072, being scheduled for ERB Committee Review on July 20, 2020, as committed to by DRP Director Amy Bodek. Deputy Program Manager Tanya Roth then reviewed the location of the (3) sites belonging to the Santa Catalina LIP and stated that corrections to submittal packages are nearly complete, pending final items from MSI. Provided corrections are submitted in short order, the Catalina sites are on track for SEATAC review on August 3, 2020; an environmental Advisory Committee for the Island equivalent to ERB for the Santa Monica Mountains sites.

Following ERB and SEATAC, the next step is a 30-day review period by County departments, and depending on the comments received and time for responses to be submitted, it was explained that this step can take up to 120-days or longer. Per Director Bodek, the County departments have waived their right to review prior to public hearing, and as a result the five (5) sites will proceed directly to Regional Planning Commission Hearing, which will be followed by a 14-day appeal period to DRP and a 10-day appeal period to the California Coastal Commission. If no appeals are filed, all (5) sites are scheduled for CDP issuance in mid-October 2020.

There was no further discussion.

J. Outreach Update – Wendy Stallworth Tait and Lt. Sven Crongeyer

Executive Assistant Wendy Stallworth-Tait and Lt. Sven Crongeyer presented Agenda Item J

Executive Assistant Stallworth-Tait stated before you today as Agenda Item J is the Outreach Summary for the month of May highlighting with a few of the activities and passing the torch to Lt. Crongeyer as he will provide specific details on agency outreach:

Various meetings continued in the month of May with AT&T to discuss ongoing Technical and Program Management concerns, Transfer Transition logistics, Checkpoint Calls, Round 2 Specifications and Site Leases, Assignment and Assumption Agreements, Network Coverage Review and quarterly progress review.

Executive Assistant Stallworth-Tait went on to state Executive Director Edson and Program Director Chris Odenthal attended the Glendale City Council Meeting via Teleconference and provided a presentation on the proposed LTE2 site at Scholl Canyon. The following week at the request of Glendale City Officials, an Informational Meeting via Teleconference was held for residents near the site from Glendale, Pasadena and Glen Oaks and Administrative Deputy Susy Orellana-Curtiss and Deputy Program Manager Tanya Roth attended the Montebello City Council meeting in support of their approval of the LTE2 Montebello Police Department site.

Lastly, members of the LA-RICS Outreach Team conducted door to door outreach to residents within 500 feet of LTE2 sites SCEDUN, located in Whittier and SCMER2, located in West Covina.

Lt. Sven Crongeyer stated good news California State Los Angeles has signed the MOU with LA-RICS and will move forward shortly to program their radios. California State Northridge has also finalized the MOU and just wait for signature; once signature is complete programming their radios will take place. San Gabriel Police Department stated they will be purchasing their own radios, which will allow them to be interoperable with LA-RICS, in August once they receive their radios LA-RICS will be meeting with them again to discuss coming on board with LA-RICS.

There was no further discussion.

VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (K-P)

K. APPROVE THE FISCAL-YEAR 2019-20 AMENDED LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AUTHORITY (LA-RICS) OPERATING BUDGET

Administrative Deputy Susy Orellana-Curtiss presented Agenda Item K and recommended the Board, adopt the amended Budget for FY 19-20 Budget and stated as Finance Chair John Geiger mentioned in his report this item went to the Finance Committee on May 21, 2020, and contemplated the movement of \$1.7 million to revenue source for the payment of LTE equipment, which was purchased under Round 1 and not deployed. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss mentioned under Agenda Item H out of the total approximately \$9.2 million un-deployed equipment under Round 1, \$3.3 million was identified for use under Round 2; payable by the BTOP grant

and with an additional \$1.7 million added to the previously approved \$4.2 million, which was in the adopted budget and brings us to a \$5.9 million total on un-deployed equipment.

Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss went on to recommend the Board adopt the Enclosed Amended Budget to reflect an increase of \$1,744,000 to the revenue and corresponding Public Safety Broadband Network (PSBN) Equipment Payment line item.

Finance Chair Geiger asked for clarification on \$700,000 of undeployed equipment mentioned in Agenda Item H and the \$1,744,000 being added to the revenue source under this item, are we speaking of two separate issues. Administrative Deputy Susy Orellana-Curtiss stated yes the \$700,000 mentioned in Agenda Item H, is part of the \$3.3 million which was purchased under PSBN Round 1 and approved by the federal grantor to be utilized as part of the twenty-six (26) site deployment in Round 2. LA-RICS continues to work with the grantor as well as AT&T to ensure the \$700,000, in equipment is tied to the six (6) remaining sites, which are part of the twenty-six (26) total be utilized for its intended purpose and payable under the BTOP grant. This \$1.7 million is for equipment that was not identified for use in Round 2 sites.

Alternate Board Member Geiger asked if that carryover of \$700,000 part of the discussions with the floating performance date or is that carryover contemplated under the current extension through July 7, 2020. Administrative Deputy Susy Orellana-Curtiss stated the carry-over is tied to the floating extension dates, not contemplated in the twenty (20) sites allowed to complete through July 7, 2020.

Board Member Mark Alexander motioned first, seconded by Board Member Mark Fronterotta.

Ayes 10: Alexander, Chidester, Donovan, Fronterotta, Glatt, Hamai, Nunley, Ortiz, Osby, and Povero.

MOTION APPROVED.

L. APPROVE THE FISCAL-YEAR 2020-21 PROPOSED LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AUTHORITY OPERATING BUDGET

Administrative Deputy Susy Orellana-Curtiss presented Agenda Item L and recommended the Board adopt the Enclosed Fiscal-Year 2020-21 Proposed Operating Budget of \$67,073,000 to be utilized for the continued operation of the Authority. Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss clarified Finance Committee unanimously recommended adoption of Budget at their meeting of May 21, 2020, however at that

time the BTOP funded activities reflected completion on June 30, 2020. With the no-cost extension approved by the Grantor on June 9, 2020 this budget contemplates \$3 million in BTOP-funded activities supporting construction of the six (6) additional SCE sites through July 7, 2020. The budget before your Board also contemplates \$60 million in UASI-funded activities to build out the Land Mobile Radio system. The Budget additionally contains Member Funded Contributions inclusive of Member Funded JPA Operations totaling \$1.3 million, LMR Administrative Cost totaling \$908,000, LTE Administrative Cost totaling \$908,000. The budget includes the balance remaining of AT&T Business Agreement Services fund to complete router replacement work.

Administrative Deputy Orellana-Curtiss asked if the Board had any questions.

Board Member Mark Fronterotta motioned first, seconded by Board Member Chris Nunley.

Ayes 10: Alexander, Chidester, Donovan, Fronterotta, Glatt, Hamai, Nunley, Ortiz, Osby, and Povero.

MOTION APPROVED.

M. AMENDMENT TO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION FOR A LAND MOBILE RADIO SYSTEM SITE

Executive Assistant Wendy Stallworth-Tait presented Agenda Item M and recommended the Board find the approval and execution of Amendment No. 1 to the MOU for the RPVT site with the Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation are within the scope of activities previously authorized on July 11, 2019, which your Board found categorically exempt from CEQA remains unchanged and delegate authority to the Executive Director to execute Amendment No. 1, in substantially similar form to the enclosed amendment, which revises the MOU to reflect the following increase cost to be paid to DPR for Survey and Right of Way work for a cost increase of \$7,800 bringing the Not to Exceed Sum by \$7,800 from \$25,000 to \$32,800.

Executive Assistant Stallworth-Tait went on to state at your May 7, 2020, Board meeting, your Board approved an MOU with Parks and Recreation which authorized the Executive Director to execute the MOU on substantially similar terms and conditions as previously approved by your Board for the RPVT LMR installation. This action followed the delegated authority given by your Board in August 2019 to the Executive Director to negotiate with the County of Los Angeles Real Estate Division for the RPVT site. After finalizing terms of the site with the County's Real Estate Division,

it was subsequently established by the County of Los Angeles that County Parks and Recreation was the owner of this site and an agreement between LA-RICS Authority and Parks and Recreation was required. After months of negotiation with Parks and Recreation an agreement was reached to transfer the parcel for site RPVT to the Authority by utilizing an MOU agreement, and now we are returning to your Board with additional changes to the previously confirmed cost associated with the Survey and Right of Way work. These delays have also caused additional impediments associated with obtaining a building permit from the Los Angeles County Public Works Department.

Board Member Chris Donovan motioned first, seconded by Board Member Mark Alexander.

Ayes 10: Alexander, Chidester, Donovan, Fronterotta, Glatt, Hamai, Nunley, Ortiz, Osby, and Povero.

MOTION APPROVED.

N. APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 47 TO AGREEMENT NO. LA-RICS 007 FOR LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM LAND MOBILE RADIO SYSTEM

Contracts Manager Jeanette Arismendez presented Agenda Item N and recommended the Board take the following actions to make the following findings with respect to the reconciliation of certain LMR System equipment and LMR Change Order Modifications:

Find that (a) approval of Amendment No. 47 to contemplate certain LMR Change Order Modifications at two (2) LMR System sites Rio Hondo (RIH) and Loop Canyon (LPC) related to soil removal at these sites, is within the scope of the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Los Angeles Regional Interoperable Communications System (LA-RICS) LMR System, which was previously certified by the Board under CEQA on March 29, 2016; and (b) that there are no changes to the project at these sites or to the circumstances under which the project is undertaken that require revisions to the previous EIR due to new significant effects or substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant effects.

Find that (a) approval of Amendment No. 47 to contemplate certain Change Order Modifications at three (3) LMR System sites, Oat Mountain Nike (ONK) related to the addition of prime site, Baldwin Hills County (BHS) related to soil removal at this site, and Mount Disappointment (MDI) related to soil sampling, are within the scope of the design, construction, implementation, operation and maintenance activities for the LMR System previously authorized at these three (3) sites, which your Board previously found statutorily exempt from review under CEQA pursuant to Public

Resources Code Section 21080.25, on November 13, 2014 (ONK), on February 5, 2015 (MDI) and on December 12, 2016 (BHS), the exemption adopted specifically for the LA-RICS project, and any leased circuit work that may occur outside of Sites ONK, BHS, and MDI, if needed to provide network connectivity to the LMR System, are categorically exempt under CEQA pursuant to Guidelines section 15301 (existing facilities), 15303 (new construction or conversion of small structures) and 15304 (minor alterations to land).

Approve Amendment No. 47 to Agreement No. LA-RICS 007 for a LMR System with Motorola Solutions, Inc. (Motorola), which revises the Agreement to reconcile certain LMR System equipment and incorporate certain LMR Change Order Modifications as described in the Board Letter for a net cost decrease in the amount of \$2,496,129.

Authorize a decrease to the Maximum Contract Sum in the amount \$2,496,129 from \$290,634,053 to \$288,137,924.

Delegate authority to the Executive Director to execute Amendment No. 47, in substantially similar form, to the Amendment enclosed with the Board Letter package.

Board Member Chris Donovan motioned first, seconded by Board Member Mark Alexander.

Ayes 10: Alexander, Chidester, Donovan, Fronterotta, Glatt, Hamai, Nunley, Ortiz, Osby, and Povero.

MOTION APPROVED.

O. APPROVE AN INCREASE TO THE CHANGE ORDER BUDGET FOR THE TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITY CONSTRUCTION AND INSTALLTION PROJECTS FOR PSBN ROUND 2

Contracts Manager Jeanette Arismendez presented Agenda Item O and recommended the Board to make the following findings:

Find the work and cost contemplated in the recommended action at two (2) sites, Claremont Police Department (CLRMPD1) and Cougar Park (COUG), are within the scope of the activities your Board previously found categorically exempt from review on January 24, 2019, and December 5, 2019, under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guideline sections 15301, 15303, 15304, and/or 15332, for the reasons set forth in the Board Letter and as noted in the record of the project, and the determination that these activities are exempt from CEQA remains unchanged.

Find the work and cost contemplated in the recommended action at six (6) sites, Azusa Canyon (AZUCYN), Inglewood Police Department (IGPD), Irwindale Police Department (IRWDPD), Monte Vista Star Center 2 (MVS2), Thomsen Communication Site (THOMSEN), and UCLA Factor Building 2 (UCLA2), are within the scope of the activities your Board previously found categorically exempt from review on January 24, 2019, and August 1, 2019, under CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guideline sections 15301, 15303, 15304, and/or 15332, for the reasons set forth in the Board Letter and as noted in the record of the project, and the determination that these activities are exempt from CEQA remains unchanged.

Find the work and cost contemplated in the recommended action at six (6) sites, the Southern California Edison Gallatin (SCEDUN), (SCEGAL), (SCEMERC2), (SCENOLA), (SCEPLM), (SCESTUD2) site, are within the scope of the activities your Board previously found categorically exempt from review on January 24, 2019 and October 3, 2019, respectively, under CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guideline sections 15303, 15304, and 15332, for the reasons set forth in the Board Letter and as noted in the record of the project, and the determination that these activities are exempt from CEQA remains unchanged.

Find the work and cost contemplated in the recommended action at two (2) sites, PSBN2 sites Cerro Negro 2 (CRN2) and Los Angeles County Fire Department Del Valle 2 (LACFDEL2), are within the scope of the activities your Board previously found categorically exempt from review on January 24, 2019, October 3, 2019, and January 15, 2020 under CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guideline sections 15301, 15303, 15304, and/or 15332, for the reasons set forth in the Board Letter and as noted in the record of the project, and the determination that these activities are exempt from CEQA remains unchanged.

Increase the Change Order budget for sixteen (16) LA-RICS Telecommunication Facility Construction and Installation sites for a total aggregate not-to-exceed amount of \$602,636 and delegate authority to the Executive Director to execute Change Orders, as may be necessary, provided they are approved as to form by Counsel to the Authority. The Executive Director will report back to your Board regarding what Change Orders, if any, were approved and executed by the Executive Director.

Alternate Board Member David Povero motioned first, seconded by Board Member Joe Ortiz.

Ayes 10: Alexander, Chidester, Donovan, Fronterotta, Glatt, Hamai, Nunley, Ortiz, Osby, and Povero.

MOTION APPROVED.

P. APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 44 TO AGREEMENT NO. LA-RICS 008 FOR LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATION SYSTEM PUBLIC SAFETY BROADBAND NETWORK

Contracts Manager Jeanette Arismendez presented Agenda Item P and recommended the Board to make the following findings:

Find that approval of Amendment No. 44 to perform accelerated construction work at the four (4) PSBN sites of Loop Canyon 2 (LPC2), Portal Ridge 2 (PRG2), Whitaker Middle Peak 2 (WMP2), and Whitaker Ridge 2 (WTR2), is within the scope of the design, construction, implementation, operation and maintenance activities for the PSBN System previously authorized at these sites, which your Board found on January 24, 2019 categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to 14 Cal. Code Regs. §§ 15301, 15303, 15304, and/or 15332, and the determination that these activities are exempt from CEQA remains unchanged.

Approve Amendment No. 44 to Agreement No. LA-RICS 008 for the PSBN with Motorola Solutions, Inc. (Motorola) to reflect the following:

Remove one PSBN (1) site, Magic Mountain Link (MML2), from the scope of Phase 2 (Site Construction and Site Modification), Phase 4 (PSBN Implementation), and associated Change Orders for a cost decrease in the amount of \$278,971.

Include Change Orders for four (4) PSBN sites (Loop Canyon 2 [LPC2], Portal Ridge 2 [PRG2], Whitaker Middle Peak 2 [WMP2], and Whitaker Ridge 2 [WTR2]) to contemplate accelerated work for completion by June 30, 2020, which result in cost increase in the amount of \$131,655.

Authorize a net decrease to the Maximum Contract Sum in the amount of \$147,316 from \$138,329,906 to \$138,182,590, when taking the recommended actions into consideration.

Delegate authority to the Executive Director to execute Amendment No. 44, in substantially similar form, to the enclosed Amendment (Enclosure).

Board Member Mark Alexander motioned first, seconded by Board Member Chris Donovan.

Ayes 10: Alexander, Chidester, Donovan, Fronterotta, Glatt, Hamai, Nunley, Ortiz, Osby, and Povero.

MOTION APPROVED.

IX. MISCELLANEOUS – NONE

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

XI. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

Alternate Chair Mark Glatt announced the next item on the Agenda is Closed Session and County Counsel Truc Moore convened closed session at 10:56 a.m., and stated instructions were emailed to Board and Alternate Members to join via teleconference on the other line and will return to the current open line to reconvene the meeting.

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

(Government Code Section 54957(b)(1))

Title: Executive Director

At 11:52 a.m., County Counsel announced the Board meeting is reconvened. Roll call was conducted and County Counsel Truc Moore stated the Brown Act does not require a report.

XII. ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING:

The Board meeting adjourned at 11:56 a.m., and the next meeting will be held on Thursday, July 9, 2020, at 9:00 a.m., via Teleconference.