



APPROVED

FINANCE COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

**LOS ANGELES REGIONAL
INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AUTHORITY**

September 24, 2015
LA County Fire Department Headquarters
1320 N. Eastern Ave., Training Room 15, Los Angeles, CA 90063

Committee Members Present:

Ed Roes, City of Los Angeles CAO
Patricia Whelan, City of Los Angeles, LAPD
Matias Farfan, City of Los Angeles, Legislative Analyst Office
John Geiger, County of Los Angeles CEO
Doug Cline, County of Los Angeles Fire Dept.
Cynthia Evans, County of Los Angeles Sheriff's Dept.
Kay Fruhwirth, County of Los Angeles DHS/EMS
Dan Jordan, California Contract Cities

Alternate Committee Members Present:

N/A

Officers Present:

Patrick Mallon, LA-RICS Executive Director
Susy Orellana-Curtiss, LA-RICS Project Team
Beatriz Cojulun, Committee Secretary

Absent:

June Gibson, City of Los Angeles Fire Dept.
Daniel Calleros, Los Angeles Police Chiefs Assoc.
Jose Santome, Los Angeles Unified School District
David Lantzer, Los Angeles Area Fire Chiefs

AGENDA ITEM A



I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ANNOUNCE QUORUM – Roll Call

Chair John Geiger made an acknowledgement that a quorum was present and asked for a roll call.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (A-B)

A. August 27, 2015 – Regular Meeting Minutes

Chair Geiger asked for a motion to approve, Committee Member Kay Fruhwirth motioned first, seconded by Committee Member Matias Farfan. The Committee's consensus was unanimous. **MOTION APPROVED.**

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS – (None)

V. CONSENT CALENDAR PUBLIC COMMENTS – (None)

VI. REPORTS (B)

B. Director's Report – Pat Mallon

- **Funding Plan Status:**
 - Ad Hoc committee met to discuss the risk-based funding plan and will be reporting to your committee under Item C of this agenda, the opt-out date remains as November 24, 2015. There have been no additional opt-out cities since the last finance committee meeting; therefore total impact is still at 11.78%.
- **LTE Project Status:**
 - Grant deadline is September 30, 2015.
 - As of this morning there are 51 sites completed; 12 Cell on Wheels that are deployed.
 - Worked with NTIA and have drawn down all available grant funds, therefore LA-RICS has the ability to continue paying for activities incurred during the performance period, as well as those identified post-performance period, but all construction related activities must be completed by September 30, 2015. After that date, LA-RICS can continue activation, testing and system optimization.



- Grant Status:
 - No update to report from the last committee meeting
- LMR Project Status:
 - There was news from the Mayor's Office, Grant Administrator that UASI '11 has been extended until the end of February 2016 and UASI '12 and '13 have been extended until April 2016. There will be a need to accelerate construction in order to fully extinguish those funds, and will continue to work with FEMA as well as the Jacobs team to accomplish this.
 - No significant impact by FEMA. Working with the Mayor's Office to clear NEPA. Very productive FEMA call last week, they delivered a schedule showing the Programmatic Environmental Assessment (PEA) being completed in December 2015. This would allow construction of those sites that meet the criteria of CEQA exemption.
 - UASI –

Committee Member Farfan asked if the LMR Project site access agreements are done. Executive Director Mallon stated that only certain County site access agreements have been executed.

Committee Member Farfan asked if the Board would be getting a presentation of the LMR system design.

Executive Director Mallon stated that LA-RICS is not in a position to complete the design of the system because there is a decision pending by LA City as to the coverage solution that they want to approach. The initial design from Motorola included four (4) cells to cover the City of Los Angeles. There was some concern with the proposed design and its ability to support the LAPD. Therefore, LA-RICS is still waiting for a decision from the City of LA in order to proceed. Otherwise, Motorola is about 90% complete on the system design.

VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS (C)

C. ALTERNATE FUNDING PLANS

Chair Geiger stated that the Ad Hoc workgroup met on September 21, 2015, but there was no alternate funding plan to discuss at this time. However, during the workgroup meeting, there was a significant amount of discussion about how cities want to opt-out in November. Members have concerns about the funding and are inclined to opt-out in November, yet may want to participate in the



communication system(s). He went on to state that after 45 minutes of discussion and conferring with counsel, the JPA agreement, as designed in 2009, did leave some room for those agencies who want to avoid having a larger financial commitment but want to continue to be affiliates or subscribers and can afford to participate in an active role. They will have no financial role or voting rights; either way those agencies should talk with the JPA Counsel about possible resolution templates to approve agencies' authorizing maximum flexibility for future participation in the JPA.

Committee Member Farfan said that there was great interest in knowing that if member agencies opt-out and want to be subscribers, they may still want input in putting the subscription packages together; not only for the costs but the types of services that can be provided under those packages. Some want to know what would be included in those subscription packages. Chair Geiger stated that this discussion would make it much easier for those agencies to participate.

VII. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (D)

D. ALTERNATE FUNDING PLANS

None

VII. MISCELLANEOUS – (None)

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS – (None)

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

VII. CLOSED SESSION REPORT – (None)

VIII. ADJOURNMENT and NEXT MEETING:

Chair Geiger announced adjournment of this meeting at 1:19 p.m. The Committee's consensus was unanimous.

The next Committee meeting will take place on Thursday, October 22, 2015, at 1:00 a.m., at the same place, LA County Fire Department Headquarters.