



BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
REGULAR  
MEETING MINUTES  
LOS ANGELES REGIONAL  
INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AUTHORITY

**Thursday, May 7, 2026 • 9:00 a.m.**

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

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

**Richard Tadeo**, Director, EMS Agency County of Los Angeles Department of Health Services

**Ric Walczak**, Police Chief, At-Large Seat #3 (City of Covina Police Department)

**Brandon Coatney**, Deputy Fire Chief, At-Large Seat #4, (City of La Verne Fire Department)

**ALTERNATES FOR BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

**Leslie Luke**, Deputy Director, Office of Emergency Management, County of Los Angeles Chief Executive Office

**Sarah Rathbun**, Acting Assistant Fire Chief, County of Los Angeles Area Fire Department

**Marshall Yelverton**, Lieutenant, County of Los Angeles Sheriff's Department

**Cardell Hurt**, Captain, At-Large Seat #2 (City of Inglewood Police Department)

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT / VACANT**

**Michael Alegria**, Fire Chief, Los Angeles Area Fire Chief's Association

**Scott Wiese**, Police Chief, (Monterey Park), Los Angeles County Police Chief's Association

**Joshua Nelson**, City Manager (City of Industry) California Contract Cities Association

**OFFICERS PRESENT**

**Scott Edson**, LA-RICS Executive Director

**Laura Vasquez**, LA-RICS Board Secretary



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

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Alternate Board Chair Sarah Rathbun called the Regular meeting of the Board to order at 9:00 a.m.

**II. ANNOUNCE QUORUM – ROLL CALL**

LA-RICS Project Team Member Marissa Bosque took roll call and acknowledged a quorum was present.

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

**A. March 5, 2025 – Regular Minutes**

Agenda Item A

Alternate Board Chair Rathbun asked the Board if there were any questions to the attached Regular meeting minutes for March 5, 2026; hearing none, she called for a motion to approve.

Board Member Ric Walczak motioned first, seconded by Alternate Board Member Cardell Hurt.

Ayes (7): Tadeo, Walczak, Coatney, Luke, Rathbun, Yelverton, and Hurt

**MOTION APPROVED.**

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There was no public comment.

**V. CONSENT CALENDAR**

There were no consent items on the Regular Meeting Agenda.



## VI. REPORTS (B - D)

### B. Director's Report – Scott Edson

Executive Director Edson greeted the Board and shared that since his last report to the Board, LA-RICS' network operations remained stable and continued to operate flawlessly; there were no service impacting incidents or outages that affected end users. Executive Director Edson reported that LA-RICS' site generators continued to perform well, and they reliably provided backup power when there were utility outages; utility power remained the most unreliable of any services.

Executive Director Edson further reported that on the analog conventional voice system, a few potential interference issues were identified, and they caused intermittent disruptions on certain analog channels. Executive Director Edson went on to say that since the County of Los Angeles (County) Internal Services Division (ISD) managed the spectrum under the County Charter, they were leading the effort to track down the source. Executive Director Edson mentioned LA-RICS would provide a report to the Board once testing was complete and there were results to share.

Executive Director Edson stated LA-RICS continued to make progress toward permanent power restoration at sites Burnt Peak (BUR1) and Green Mountain (GRM). Executive Director Edson further stated that at site BUR1, LA-RICS' connection to Southern California Edison's (SCE) solar grid was complete and was pending SCE to begin operations, and at site GRM, there was a minor hurdle in the permitting process related to site address and parcel ownership, however, LA-RICS was moving forward with work that was already permitted while the issues were in the process of being resolved with the Authority Having Jurisdiction.

Executive Director Edson reported that at site Whitaker Middle Peak (WMP), road repair work was scheduled to begin last month, however, it was postponed following a tragic accident involving a crew member of the County of Los Angeles (County) Public Works. Executive Director Edson said that LA-RICS expressed their condolences to the family and all who were affected.

Executive Director Edson stated that subscribers and regional interoperability continued to grow, and with the World Cup beginning in June, LA-RICS was working closely with the City of Inglewood Police Department (PD), Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), and other partners to develop a comprehensive communications plan for the event. Executive Director Edson



further stated LA-RICS was also working closely with the City of Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) and finding solutions since LAPD's system was delayed; Operations Lead Lt. Joe F. Dominguez would provide more information on this in his report.

Executive Director Edson went on to say that, at the same time, LA-RICS continued coordination with the County Internal Services Department (County ISD), the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), and the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES), on interference mitigation strategies which included clarifying response procedures in case interference occurred during a major event. Executive Director Edson said LA-RICS was also working to deploy interference detection and location equipment in key areas, and the goal was to ensure that any interference, whether intentional and unintentional, could be quickly identified and addressed.

Executive Director Edson shared that, last month, he attended the Tri-County Police Chief's Association Conference in Rancho Mirage and gave a presentation about LA-RICS to the Orange County police chiefs. Executive Director Edson shared with them that LA-RICS was working closely with the Orange County Sheriff's Department (OCSD) on interoperability.

Regarding Budget matters, Executive Director Edson expressed that as the end of the fiscal year was approaching, the Finance Team continued to track expenditures against the budget line items with projections bringing LA-RICS in on track. Executive Director Edson further expressed that Agenda Item E provided the annual audit report for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2025, which, as the Auditors and Auditor Controller representative would detail, were found to be clear and in accordance with financial standards. Executive Director Edson went on to say the auditors would detail Note 5 in their report of an error made by a County Auditor Controller staff on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, otherwise known as SEFA, which was revised to reflect the Federal Awards expended in prior fiscal years but not reported.

Executive Director Edson mentioned that Agenda Item H in the agenda packet expended on a prior delegated authority given to the Executive Director to accept donated goods, services, software, and equipment on a gratis basis. Executive Director Edson further mentioned the Board previously delegated this authority in connection with the acceptance of the Alert Wildfire cameras and installation services at select sites. Executive Director Edson shared that as LA-RICS continued to work closely with public safety partners in the region, LA-RICS may receive donated goods, services, equipment, etc., and thus need this delegation to



do so efficiently while reporting to the Board on any such donation on a quarterly basis. Executive Director Edson said he would provide additional details on this item under Agenda Item H.

Regarding Grants, Executive Director Edson said that he previously reported the final claim for UASI 23 was submitted, however, LA-RICS received some wonderful news from the UASI grant staff at the Mayor's office informing them there was three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) in unspent funds that would be returned to the federal grantor if LA-RICS could not spend it in the next few weeks. Executive Director Edson stated that with expenditures that qualified for the grant reimbursement, LA-RICS offered to spend those on funds on behalf of the region and use the funding to pay for a portion of the Subscriber User Agreement (SUA) bill with Motorola Solutions, Inc. (MSI). Executive Director Edson said that Agenda Item I was to amend LA-RICS' existing subrecipient agreement for the UASI 23 grant to augment the award by three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000).

Executive Director Edson reported that LA-RICS continued to work with the regional agencies to ensure readiness for the World Cup games and preparation for other upcoming events, unplanned and daily interoperable activities. Executive Director Edson further reported LA-RICS had a successful series of meetings with the regional agencies and MSI, identifying next steps and action items needed to be operationally ready to operate. Executive Director Edson went on to say that LA-RICS continued to push for equitable funding of the projects that served all agencies countywide and hope that through these collaborative efforts, the region understood the role LA-RICS played and the value it brought to the region.

This concluded the report on Agenda Item B by Executive Director Edson. There was no further discussion.

**C. Joint Operations and Technical Committee Chair's Report – NONE**

**D. Finance Committee Chair's Report – NONE**

**VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS (E – G)**

**E. Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report for The Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2025 – BCA Watson Rice LLP**

Alternate Board Chair Rathbun introduced Jung Son and Lianna Narinyants from the Auditor-Controller's Accounting Office. The Auditor-Controller's Office



contracted BCA Watson Rice, LLP, introduced Helen Chu and Lyn Labastia, Insurance Partners, who presented their findings.

Ms. Helen Chu presented the Audit Report on the Financial and Single Audit on the Authority as of June 30, 2025, and the Audit was performed in accordance with the Auditing standards, as well as Government Auditing Standards.

Ms. Chu started by presenting the Scope of the Audit; the financial audit included a review of the Authority's financial statements to ensure they were presented fairly, in all material respects, the financial position and results of operations in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), as well as the Single Audit focused on compliance with the federal grant requirements under the Uniform Guidance, ensuring that federal funds were expended appropriately.

Ms. Chu shared the Audit Results, in which the Authority received an unmodified (clean) opinion on its financial statements, which was the highest level of assurance that could be provided by an independent auditor. Ms. Chu further shared the Single Audit did not identify any issues of material non-compliance with the federal laws, regulations, and grant requirements. However, the Single Audit identified one finding, which was a material weakness of internal control over compliance, which was Finding #2025-01, located on page 38 of the Audit Report.

Ms. Chu explained the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA) was prepared based on federal grant reimbursements received during the Fiscal Year rather than federal awards expended / incurred, as required by the Uniform Guidance. Ms. Chu further explained that the creation of this SEFA was done incorrectly and needed to be revised; the County Auditor Controller revised the SEFA, and the SEFA was now fairly presented.

Ms. Chu reported some of the Key Financial Highlights during the current year: the Authority's assets totaled two hundred eleven million, eight hundred thousand dollars (\$211,800,000); Cash and Investments deposited in the County Treasury Pool totaled thirty million, three hundred thousand dollars (\$30,300,000).

Ms. Chu further reported the Authority had a cash operating loan balance of twenty-eight million dollars (\$28,000,000) from the County for the funding of start-up and operational costs; the loan bore no interest and had no definite repayment schedule. Ms. Chu further reported the Authority also entered a twenty-three million dollar (\$23,000,000) Funding Agreement with the County to finance the settlement of a contractor claim; the loan bore variable interest based on the County's yearly treasury pool rate; the loan was payable for fifteen (15) years, with the first five (5)



years being interest payments only, and then the ten (10) years of principal and interest payments.

Ms. Chu mentioned that as of June 30, 2025, the Authority had one hundred seventy five million, five hundred thousand dollars (\$175,500,000) in Capital Assets consisting of telecommunication equipment with a net book value of one hundred seventy-four million dollars (\$174,000,000), building access control systems of one million, three hundred thousand dollars (\$1,300,000), and office furniture and fixtures at sixteen thousand nine hundred fifty-nine dollars (\$16,959).

Ms. Chu informed the Board that Revenues totaled twenty million three hundred thousand dollars (\$20,300,000) and mainly consisted of federal grants in the amount of eleven million seven hundred thousand dollars (\$11,700,000), seven million five hundred thousand dollars (\$7,500,000), and one million one hundred thousand dollars (\$1,100,000) in investment income; Expenditures totaled forty-seven million, eight hundred thousand dollars (\$47,800,000) and mainly consisted of a twenty-three million dollars (\$23,000,000) settlement of claim, eleven million, one hundred thousand dollars (\$11,100,000) in capital outlay for telecommunications equipment, three million, three hundred thousand dollars (\$3,300,000) in consultant services, seven million, four hundred thousand dollars (\$7,400,000) in County department services, two million dollars (\$2,000,000) in maintenance and three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) in utilities.

Ms. Chu said that, additionally, as part of the Audit, certain matters were required to be communicated to the Board as part of their auditing standards, including:

Ms. Chu shared Management's Responsibility, which primarily was to be responsible for the financial statements, accounting principles used, and compliance with grant requirements; it was the Auditor's responsibility under the GAAP to conduct an audit in accordance with the auditing standards and to provide a reasonable – not absolute – assurance about whether the basic financial statements were free of material misstatement, whether caused by error or fraud; it was also the Auditor's responsibility to gain a basic understanding of the internal control policies and procedures to design an effective and efficient audit approach.

Ms. Chu reported there were no new accounting practices, no disclosures considered to be sensitive or involve significant judgement; there were no auditors' adjustments; there were no uncorrected misstatements, no disagreements with management or significant issues discussed with management; there were no irregularities, fraud or illegal acts that came to the Auditor's attention because of



auditing procedures; Management provided full cooperation on necessary documentation to support the audit.

Ms. Chu further reported that BCA Watson Rice LLP was independent of the Authority and the County, and certain representations from Management were obtained and were included in the Management Representation Letter dated March 23, 2026. Ms. Chu concluded her presentation and asked if there were any questions.

Board Member Richard Tadeo asked Ms. Chu if there was any impact on the negative finding in the Audit Report. Ms. Chu said that it was an internal control related to compliance and how the SEFA was prepared. Executive Director Edson asked Ms. Chu if the SEFA was prepared by the County Auditor-Controller Office to which Ms. Chu confirmed as so. Executive Director Edson then asked Ms. Chu if the error was made by the County Auditor-Controller Office to which Ms. Chu confirmed as so. Executive Director Edson stated that, for the record, it was confirmed the County Auditor-Controller's Office made the error. Executive Director Edson expressed his appreciation to the Fiscal Team for their outstanding job.

This concluded the update on Agenda Item E. There was no further discussion.

**F. Land Mobile Radio Network Operations Status and Issues – Ted Pao**

Technical Lead Ted Pao reported that since the last Board meeting, LA-RICS was focused on Annual Preventative Maintenance across the system infrastructure which included key subsystems such as fire suppression, generators, HVAC, and the DC power plants. Technical Lead Pao further reported the fire suppression inspections for this six-month cycle were complete with the DC power plant maintenance being over ninety percent (90%) complete; generator maintenance was about halfway complete, and this included work at high elevation sites that required fuel polishing every two (2) years.

Technical Lead Pao shared that LA-RICS was evaluating storm-related damages at site Frost Peak (FRP), and although some improvements were made last year to reinforce the shelter and cable bridge against falling ice, the site still experienced some damage despite it being a relatively mild winter. Technical Lead Pao further shared that LA-RICS was looking into additional ways to better protect the site from ice-related impacts from future storms.

Technical Lead Pao said that, for this meeting, he would walk the Board through an overview of loading and utilization on the Digital Trunked System. Technical Lead



Pao mentioned that in previous meetings, the Top 15 most heavily used cells or sites were typically highlighted. Technical Lead Pao further mentioned that for this discussion, the in-building custody sites, Men's Central Jail (MCJ), Twin Towers Correctional Facility (TTCF), North County Correctional Facility (NCCF), and PDC Ranch would be excluded; instead, the focus would be on the cells and sites that support digital voice communications across all agencies.

Technical Lead Pao shared Agenda Item A – Enclosures 1 through 12, which included an explanation of the Digital Trunked Voice Radio Subsystem (DTVRS) Utilization Calculation. Technical Lead Pao mentioned that two (2) sample days were taken in March, and the Technical Team looked at the utilization percentage on an hourly basis of several cells which included Downtown, East, South, and San Gabriel. Board Member Tadeo asked Technical Lead Pao if the Inglewood Police Department (PD) was included in these cells. Technical Lead Pao said that Inglewood PD primarily used the Downtown cell.

Technical Lead Pao shared slides that showed cell usage, which focused on times when the system had extraordinary traffic during the Palisades and Eaton Canyon Fires. Technical Lead Pao stated these slides provided LA-RICS with a snapshot of real world busies when critical events took place on the system, and this snapshot reflected that there was still headroom to handle these critical events at the busiest cells.

Technical Lead Pao concluded his report and asked if there were any questions.

Board Member Ric Walczak asked Technical Lead Pao if this type of data could help forecast cell usage for regular and busy days – such as during the Olympics. Technical Lead Pao stated a communications plan for the Olympics would need to be obtained to give LA-RICS an idea of where site locations would be concentrated and how many talk groups would be needed. Board Member Walczak asked Technical Lead Pao what peak usage rate would be considered "comfortable". Technical Lead Pao said usage rate up to eighty percent (80%) would be considered "comfortable", and there would always be some peak usage for a few moments in an hour, therefore, the usage may peak to ninety-five percent (95%) in an hour.

Executive Director Edson reminded the Board that Technical Lead Pao and Nancy Yang, Senior Telecommunications Systems Engineer, were retiring and encouraged the Board members to attend their retirement celebration if possible.

There was no further discussion.



**G. Outreach Update – Lt. Joe F. Dominguez**

Operations Lead Lieutenant Joseph F. Dominguez greeted Board members and referenced the detailed Outreach Summary document for the months of March and April included in the Agenda Packet for review and information.

Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez reported that during March and April, Authority staff carried out ongoing and comprehensive outreach activities with both Subscriber and Affiliate agencies, while also progressing several important operational initiatives. Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez further reported that personnel continued to coordinate and provide on-site escorts for facilities requiring both routine and emergency maintenance and scheduled inspections, helping to ensure system integrity, compliance with applicable requirements, and uninterrupted service. Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez went on to say that Authority staff monitored service performance and responded promptly to agency inquiries to support effective coordination across partner agencies; these efforts highlighted the Authority's continued focus on reliability, responsiveness, and strong system stewardship.

Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez stated that, additionally, staff supported oversight of site equipment, technology infrastructure, and backup generator systems to help ensure sustained operational readiness across the network.

Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez further stated that outreach activities within the past two months have demonstrated strong effectiveness in strengthening partnerships and broadening engagement among public safety stakeholders. Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez went on to say that during this reporting period, support was provided to the South El Monte Public Safety Department (Subscriber), Los Angeles County Animal Care and Control (Subscriber), Ontario Police Department Air Support (Affiliate), Orange County Sheriff's Department (OCSD) (Affiliate), Sierra Madre Police Department (Subscriber), Lynwood Unified Public Safety Department (Subscriber), California State Parks (Subscriber) and the U.S. Federal Air Marshals (Affiliate). Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez went on to say these efforts continued to support closer coordination and improved alignment among participating agencies while also promoting consistent communication and a more integrated approach to regional public safety collaboration.

Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez mentioned that the rollout of ESChat among Subscriber agencies continued to advance steadily, with additional agencies programmed, granted access, and actively utilizing the application; several



agencies requested additional licenses, and the Authority was working to fulfill as many of these requests as possible. Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez further mentioned the Los Angeles County Fire Department (LACoFD) issued a number of licenses and was evaluating the platform's capabilities to support its operational needs. Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez went on to say the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) deployed the application across several specialized units, where it was in daily use, and feedback indicated that during multiple operations, the incognito mode was proven effective in enhancing officer safety and supporting enforcement activities. Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez said that, overall, the continued expansion of ESChat reflected increasing confidence in the platform and reinforced its value as a dependable communication tool for participating agencies.

Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez reported that LA-RICS was working with the Los Angeles County Probation Department to program test radios with proposed talk-groups, supporting evaluation of system performance across their facilities; the department requested an expansion of the test radio inventory to better assess coverage at all Probation locations. Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez further reported that in support of interoperability, a request was submitted to LASD to program L-TACs, Metros, and Dispatch channels for use by Special Enforcement Operations personnel and Supervising Deputy Probation Officers; LASD approved the request, and several radios were successfully programmed with the designated channels.

Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez mentioned that, additionally, Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) was working closely with the Authority's Technical Team to modify its code-plug to align with LA-RICS and LASD configurations and to incorporate updated Interagency Communications Interoperability (ICI) agency information; the revised code-plug was undergoing testing to confirm whether it met interoperability requirements. Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez further mentioned the Authority staff also partnered with the Manhattan Beach Fire Department to program mutual aid interoperable channels across their radios, with testing confirming the channels were functioning as intended. Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez went on to say that coordination with Cal OES continued the programming of California Highway Patrol (CHP) radios, where an issue with an encryption key was identified, corrected, and successfully retested. Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez shared that an additional two hundred (200) radios were programmed, with the goal of deploying them for field use in advance of the 2026 World Cup, further strengthening regional interoperability and operational readiness.



Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez reported that interoperability efforts with OCSD continued to advance steadily, with ongoing coordination and implementation of Critical Connect; LA-RICS conducted two (2) coordination meetings with OCSD to support integration efforts and ensure alignment on system capabilities. Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez further reported that, in March, approval was granted to program all Orange County public safety talk-groups (including the RED channel) into all fifty-three (53) LASD consolettes, providing coverage across all LASD stations; programming and encryption were completed, and LASD began installation of the consolettes.

Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez shared the next steps included extending these talk-groups to LASD airships and specialized units to further enhance interoperability capabilities in the field. Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez further shared that OCSD requested LA-RICS to provide two (2) temporary talk-groups for its Human Trafficking / Narcotics Viper Team to support mutual aid operations; this request was approved for a two-month period and would facilitate reliable communications during operations within the County and in areas outside of Orange County's primary coverage footprint.

Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez stated that LA-RICS was coordinating with LASD Fleet Management on the acquisition of a 4x4 truck and an off-road all-terrain vehicle to support field operations. Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez further stated that Authority staff required a high-clearance pickup truck to ensure dependable access to remote radio communication sites, many of which were in rugged and difficult to reach terrain. Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez went on to say these locations were often accessed via narrow dirt roads, steep grades, and areas susceptible to erosion or seasonal washouts caused by storms and fire activity.

Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez said that securing appropriate off-road vehicles would improve staff's ability to safely and efficiently reach these sites for maintenance, inspections, and emergency response; this capability was critical to maintaining system reliability and ensuring continuous communication across the region.

Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez reported that Authority staff remained actively engaged in emergency communications planning for upcoming large-scale events, including the World Cup 2026 and the LA28 Olympics, working in close coordination with local, state, and federal partners. Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez further reported that ongoing planning meetings were focused on enhancing interoperability, strengthening regional communications capabilities, and supporting coordinated public safety operations to ensure effective event security.



Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez mentioned that, in addition, LA-RICS staff recently participated in a tabletop exercise hosted by the Inglewood Police Department in preparation for the World Cup; the exercise generated valuable discussion and identified key communications and coordination considerations. Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez said that, as a result, LA-RICS was engaging with partner agencies to address areas of concern and ensure readiness well in advance of these major events, reinforcing a proactive and collaborative approach to public safety planning.

Board Member Tadeo asked Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez how the working groups for the LA28 Olympic Sports and Events were progressing. Operations Lead Lt. Dominguez said that planning was moving forward and that, just recently, CHP reached out to LA-RICS to assist with their system interoperability for the World Cup 2026 / Olympics as CHP would be providing escorts for the teams; LA-RICS was working diligently with them in ensuring that their system was interoperable in time for the World Cup 2026 / Olympics.

Executive Director Edson stated that LA-RICS was actively participating in working groups and hoped LA-RICS to be invited to a meeting with the executive leadership for the Olympics.

Alternate Board Chair Rathbun asked Technical Lead Pao asked when analog frequencies would be available on ESChat. Technical Lead Pao stated that MSI was working on bringing the analog channels to Critical Connect, and MSI planned for this to be a third quarter delivery.

This concluded the update on Agenda Item G. There was no further discussion.

## **VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (H – I)**

### **H. DELEGATE AUTHORITY TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ACCEPT GOODS, SERVICES, SOFTWARE, AND EQUIPMENT ON A GRATIS BASIS**

Executive Director Edson reported that Agenda Item H requested Board approval to delegate authority to the Executive Director to execute receipts with third parties to accept donated goods, services, software, and equipment and donated installation and maintenance services, as applicable, on a gratis basis, for the purposes of achieving and furthering public safety interoperability in the region.

Executive Director Edson further reported this action was similar to an action the Board approved in September 2022 to accept donated equipment, installation, and



maintenance services from Alert Wildfire where they donated cameras and corresponding installation and maintenance services to the Authority on a gratis basis. Executive Director Edson stated the recommended action would allow the Authority to accept Donated Goods, Services, Software, and Equipment such as the following:

- Shelters
- RF site equipment
- Antennas
- Microwave dishes
- Racks
- Generators
- Licenses
- Programming services
- Etc.

Further, Executive Director Edson said there was no fiscal impact with the recommended action as all goods would be donated on a gratis basis. Executive Director Edson shared that, lastly, he would report back to the Board on a quarterly basis, listing what the Authority accepted in the way of donated goods, services, software, equipment, etc. as well as donated installation and maintenance services, if any.

Alternate Board Chair Rathbun asked for a motion to approve. Alternate Board Member Hurt motioned first, seconded by Board Member Walczak.

Ayes (7): Tadeo, Walczak, Coatney, Luke, Rathbun, Yelverton, and Hurt

**MOTION APPROVED.**

**I. ACCEPT URBAN AREAS SECURITIES INITIATIVE (UASI) FUNDS – FIRST AMENDMENT**

Executive Director Edson reported that Agenda Item I requested the Board's approval to accept supplemental funds under this First Amendment to the existing Subrecipient Agreement for a budget increase of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) from the Fiscal Year 2023 UASI grant funds, resulting in a total aggregate amount of three million six hundred eleven thousand six hundred and sixty-two dollars (\$3,611,662).



Executive Director Edson further reported that Agenda Item I recommended the Board authorize the Executive Director to execute the enclosed 2023 UASI Subrecipient Agreement Amendment No. 1 between the City of Los Angeles and the Authority,

Alternate Board Chair Rathbun asked for a motion to approve. Board Member Tadeo motioned first, seconded by Alternate Board Member Leslie Luke.

Ayes (7): Tadeo, Walczak, Coatney, Luke, Rathbun, Yelverton, and Hurt

**MOTION APPROVED.**

**IX. MISCELLANEOUS – NONE**

There were no Miscellaneous Items for the Regular Meeting.

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

There were no Future Discussion and/or Action Items for the Regular Meeting.

**XI. CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

The Alternate Board Chair proceeded with the Closed Session item on the Regular Meeting Agenda.

The Board entered Closed Session at 9:43 a.m.

1. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Government Code Section 54957(b)(1)) Title: Executive Director

The Board returned from Closed Session at 10:00 a.m. Counsel Truc Moore stated the Board was back in Open Session, and the Brown Act did not require a report.

**XII. ADJOURNMENT OF THE REGULAR AND SPECIAL MEETINGS AND NEXT REGULAR MEETING**

Alternate Board Chair Rathbun adjourned the Regular Board Meeting at 10:01 a.m. and stated the next Regular Board Meeting would be held on Thursday, June 4, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. at the LA-RICS Headquarters.



Alternate Board Chair Rathbun called for a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Board Member Tadeo made a motion.

APPROVED