



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING MINUTES

**LOS ANGELES REGIONAL
INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AUTHORITY**

Thursday, October 1, 2020 • 9:00 a.m.
Conducted via Microsoft Teams Meeting*

Board Members Present:

Mark Alexander, City Manager, CA Contract Cities Assoc.
John Curley, Chief of Police, City of Covina Police Dept.
Chris Donovan, Fire Chief, City of El Segundo Fire Dept.
Mark Fronterotta, Chief of Police, City of Inglewood Police Dept.

Alternates For Board Members Present:

John Geiger, General Manager, County of Los Angeles
Thomas Ewald, Deputy Fire Chief, County of Los Angeles Fire Dept.
Kay Fruhwirth, Asst., Dir., EMS Agency, County of LADHS
Mark Glatt, Chief, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Dept.
Brian Solinsky, Deputy Chief, City of South Pasadena Police Dept.

Officers Present:

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

Absent:

Chris Nunley, Chief of Police, City of Signal Hill Police Dept.



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

I. CALL TO ORDER

Alternate Chair, Mark Glatt, called the regular Board to order at 9:01 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. August 6, 2020 –Minutes

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

There were none.

Board Member Chris Donovan motioned first, seconded by Board Member John Curley.

Ayes 9: Alexander, Curley, Donovan, Ewald, Fronterotta, Fruhwirth, Geiger, Glatt, and Solinsky.

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 hope everyone is well and remains safe during these trying times. There is much to report and a closed session scheduled for today.

LTE 2 Update

In regards to the Long Term Evolution (LTE) 2 update, Executive Director Edson provided historical context by reminding Board Members the Public Safety Broadband Network (PSBN) grant was received over ten (10) years ago and have successfully closed with over 100 sites built, all to public safety grade, thereby giving Los Angeles



County public safety agencies and professionals access to the most robust and redundant public safety data network in the Nation. Access to these sites are available through AT&T subscribing to their FirstNet data service. AT&T, is the federal contractor for the National Public Safety Broadband Network (NPSBN), is well into the process of including these sites into the National system.

Executive Director Edson went on to state as previously shared with your Board in a few email updates, LA-RICS has been 100% reimbursed on all invoices and claims submitted closing out LTE2 under the Broadband Technology Opportunity Program (BTOP). This includes all work for sites 1-20 as well as design, entitlement work, and equipment, for sites 21-26. The final invoices paid, the grantor will now process all final closeout reports and documents, which will be submitted to them this month.

The team continued to work on construction of sites 21-26; sites very important to the region and Project Director Chris Odenthal will provide an update on these sites under Agenda Item F. With final invoices approved by the grantor, and while in parallel, the team will build sites 21-26 under the AT&T Construction Agreement and move on to the next stage, which is transferring the grant-funded assets to AT&T for use in the National system.

Executive Director Edson stated before your Board today is Agenda Item J, which is an Amendment to the Asset Transfer Agreement previously approved by your Board in December 2017 for the Transfer of Round 2 assets. This agreement between the Authority and AT&T will allow the Authority to transfer and assign its 20% right, title and interest in the remaining BTOP grant-funded buildout of LTE Round 2 of the PSBN, in particular, BTOP grant funded equipment deployed at, and entitlements secured for, the twenty (26) Public Safety Grade PSBN sites, as well as spare equipment for use as part of the FirstNet NPSBN. Closing the books on the BTOP grant allows the team to start the process of closing out our AT&T Business Agreement including receiving six (6) million dollars from AT&T to sustain our administrative operations for this fiscal year 2020-2021 and the next.

Upon your Board's approval, the team will transmit the formal request to NTIA to approve the transfer of assets to FirstNet via the AT&T Asset Transfer Agreement.

Executive Director Edson also stated with sites 1-20 completed, and sites 21-26 underway, the team could finalize costs relating to storing equipment. The team is bringing before your Board Agenda Item K, which reflects a reduction in estimated costs relating to storage of equipment for PSBN Round 2.

Lastly, Objective 2 within BTOP grant was for the purchase of the Cell on Light Truck (CoLT) and Cell on Pickup Truck (CoPT) which the team had built, successfully tested and accepted, and moved to Los Angeles Sheriff's Department (LASD) facilities in early



July. The team continues to train users on the CoLT and CoPT and before your Board today is Agenda Item L, which is an Amendment to our existing Joint Use and Services Agreement with LASD for the housing, maintenance and deployment of the CoLT and CoPT. Executive Director Edson acknowledged LASD and stated expressed his appreciation for their oversight of these vehicles and their deployment whenever needed in the region.

LMR Update

In regards to the Land Mobile Radio (LMR) update, Executive Director Edson stated the team continues to work with Motorola (MSI) to update the Integrated Master Schedule (IMS) as well as bring in additional permits. The team has not accepted schedule submissions from MSI over the last three (3) months as there is still some work to do to identify their slippage and the recovery of time lost prior to COVID 19 and fires, as well as some efficiencies to help recover schedule delays as a result of those things now out of our control. As a result of MSI slippage in the schedule, COVID 19, fires, interference and other issues, the completion date for the LMR system has pushed out into 2022, likely, the 2nd quarter. It is hard to say for sure now because the team needs a recovery schedule from MSI and a plan to address the interference issues. Lead Engineer Ted Pao will provide an update on the frequency and licensing issues under Agenda Item G; and the team continues to work with the County of Los Angeles Internal Services Department (ISD) and its consultants to resolve this matter and greatly appreciate their assistance.

Executive Director Edson also stated, many of you operate on the T-Band frequencies today and our UHF system will use T-Band frequencies. There is an effort to repeal the Middle Class Tax Relief Law mandating the T-Band frequencies be auctioned off next year; the bill is H.R.451 - Don't Break Up the T-Band. The bill passed the House of Representatives by a vote of 410 to 5 last week and has moved on to the Senate. Information was received this morning the Senate will call for a vote at 11am Pacific Standard Time today. Just in case, after conferring with the Chair, the Sheriff is planning to send a request to the CEO to pursue lobbying the Senate immediately to help pass this bill as soon as possible.

In addition, without this act of congress, FCC must go through with an auction as mandated by law, even though they have said they do not want to, since 1) it is documented the sale value will not exceed the cost to move public safety to a different spectrum and 2) there is no spectrum to move to. Let us all hope the Senate passes the bill today.

As far as building permits go for LMR construction, the team have forty-five (45) permits in hand, and only five (5) permits left to be submitted all others are in the permitting process.



Executive Director stated at this time, no sites have been lost due to fires. The team is anxiously awaiting direction from the USFS Supervisor on when access to sites become available in the National Forest. Nonetheless, time lost due to the fires is now pushing sites and their construction into the winter season, which is problematic. There is a domino effect on Phase 4 activities, which are correspondingly pushed out, as well. There are a total of ten (10) sites currently impacted by the fires and USFS closure with three (3) more that will be impacted if the team is not allowed access to the sites soon. Program Manager Delfino will provide your Board with greater detail on progress made to date and impacts of unanticipated delays.

The team is working with MSI to identify efficiencies and compressions, but the team really needs to know when we are able to access those sites. The team has shared this update, as well as the negative impacts of COVID 19, and the interference issues with the LMR grantor (Cal OES and FEMA) and they are monitoring our progress closely given these unanticipated delays and complications.

In parallel and while the team waits to regain access to USFS sites, before your Board is Agenda Item M, which contemplates a change order required to comply with USFS requirements, as well as, road repair to allow access.

Finally, in regards to the Coastal Sites; great news from my email update; LACF072 and Saddle Peak Communications (SPN) went before the Regional Planning Commission on September 16, 2020, receiving unanimous approval from the commission for the permits and variances the team were seeking. Additionally, the team received the same outcome on September 23, 2020, for the three (3) Catalina Island Sites.

The team would like to thank Chief Glatt, Chief Ewald, and Sheriff's Captain Hocking and County Fire Captain Davey for speaking publicly in support of the project before the Planning Commissions, as well as special thanks to the Coastal and Catalina sites team who have worked hard towards this achievement. This week the team did receive appeals to the Coastal sites and that process is now moving forward to the Board of Supervisors. This team effort was led by Deputy Program Manager Tanya Roth, and she will provide additional details on these sites, the appeal, and the next steps under Agenda Item H.

Grants

Executive Director Edson provided an update on the BTOP grant and stated the team has completed the grant closeout with all drawdowns approved. The team is pending feedback on final reports from the grantor. Upon your Board's approval of the Asset Transfer Agreement, the team will submit the formal request to the grantor for approval. This will then lead to the successful closure of the BTOP grant, the very last



BTOP grant to close, and the team anticipate an audit within the next year. We are the last BTOP recipient to close out this grant, and all other BTOP recipients have undergone their audits years ago. Luckily, our team has much practice with audits.

As for the UASI grants, the team is underway with spending on both the UASI 18 and 19 grants, both awarded and open grants. The team has been in communication with the grant administrators, Cal OES and FEMA, keeping them well abreast of the program progress as well as the impacts of interference, COVID 19 and fires, and informing them we are working with MSI to identify schedule efficiencies, compressions and accelerations to try to mitigate delays caused by these issues.

The Los Angeles / Long Beach UASI held an approval authority meeting this past Monday forming a working group to address cybersecurity and potential grant programs and projects addressing this important matter. The City of Los Angeles Mayor's Office distributed grant applications for the 2021 grant year and the team plans to submit our application by the October 23, 2020, deadline. In addition, the team is currently undergoing an audit of UASI 2016 grant. The auditors conducted their audit meeting yesterday, as well as an asset management field audit. The team will be sure to report back to your Board once the report is received.

Lastly, Executive Director Edson stated Tom Molina came to us to serve as the Project Manager for Entitlements in 2014. Mr. Molina has had an illustrious career throughout the Western Hemisphere as a Civil Engineer and brought those experiences with him to LA-RICS where he served a myriad of positions. Tom has led the Program's efforts to secure lease agreements, zoning approvals, and outreach engagements. Mr. Molina has dedicated the last several years to oversee the execution of our Site Acquisition efforts on both LMR, LTE1, and LTE2 programs. Very few individuals have the patience to manage the multiple jurisdictions, easement companies, and LA-RICS vendors, yet Mr. Molina navigated all of these relationships to the benefit of LA-RICS. Other than his obvious contributions from a business perspective, Tom has a unique ability to balance the stressful program environment by playing pranks on his colleagues. Despite the stressful political world of entitlements and prank wars, the answer we will get when asking how to best describe Mr. Molina is he is a gentleman. He has always conducted himself as a professional, a gentleman and a friend and the team will miss his contributions to both the Program and the Team. The team has a plaque for Mr. Molina to be delivered to him because he was unable to attend today's meeting.

Alternate Chair Glatt asked Executive Director Edson to pass on our thanks to Mr. Molina for his dedicated work on the project.

There was no further discussion.



C. Project Manager's Report – Justin Delfino

LTE2 Highlights

Program Manager Justin Delfino presented the current status of LTE2 and stated Sites 1-20 are all completed and close-out materials including punch corrections and as-built information for transmittal to FirstNet AT&T should be completed by mid-October.

LTE2 Sites 21-26

Program Manager Delfino stated he will be brief because Project Director Odenthal will go into more detail in Agenda Item F.

- **MML2** - Work halted in September due to the Bobcat Fire, no progress was made at all in September.
- **MNTBPD** – Overcame a huge obstacle regarding use of existing tower at the site. Work restarted and is expected to complete end of October 2020.
- **POLA1** – Essentially complete; one antenna mount was back ordered, once it arrives, it will take two weeks to complete the site.
- **POLA2** - Power run is being examined for use approximately 900 foot run. Cell blocks are in and tower is up.
- **POLB1** - Awaiting confirmation of executed SAA.
- **POM2** – Work will commence in October. We do not have the exact commencement date yet but it is expected to occur this month.

LMR Highlights

LMR PROGRAM CONSTRUCTION OVERVIEW

Program Manager Delfino provided an update on the construction overview and shared some recent successes on the LMR Program as stated below:

- Unanimous consent by Regional Planning Commission for (5) coastal sites.
- Six (6) sets of plans were submitted to Department of Public Works (DPW) Plan Check, (5) submissions remaining, all planned for submission in October 2020.



- MSI found a design solution to meet the noise mitigation requirements at TWR and BJM to comply with stringent sound decimal level.
- Grant audit for UASI 16 included a site visit at VPK and CRN on September 30, 2020.
- Currently working on Phase 2 activity at BHS, RHT, and RIH; all USFS sites are stood down for now due to fire activity.
- Phase 4 work is active at eight (8) locations throughout various geographic cells.
- Cal OES Telecom group engaged LA-RICS to start a collaborative effort aimed at securing communications during 2028 Olympics. Technical staff has also engaged SoFi Stadium representatives including its DAS system specialists to explore integration opportunities with LA-RICS as the Stadium opened in September.
- SMMS (alarming system) will report to the NOC and use has been vetted and approved by the Team.

SAA's

Program Manager Delfino stated there are outstanding SAAs for the following sites: Coastal (TWR, BJM, DPK) Deputy Program Manager Roth will address the Coastal update in detail in Agenda Item H.

Current Focus:

Program Manager Delfino stated the Schedule IMS resolution for Phase 2 and Phase 4 work have been examined. While efficiencies were identified, MSI is yet to incorporate all changes. In addition, MSI is working to capture the total impact of the fire and how it affects schedule and provided updates highlighted below:

- Major goal is to get back into the US Forest to continue work at all USFS sites, particularly FRP with an attempt to avoid ski season.
- UASI 18 and 19 coordination meeting with MSI scheduled for today, October 1, 2020.
- Re-boot closeout process for Phase 2 and Phase 4 work with MSI in an effort to receive close out materials from MSI.



- The Technical Team continues to trouble shoot and plan work related to frequency licensing and coordination, which will be addressed in greater detail in Agenda Item G by Ted Pao.

TOP – UASI 18

Program Manager Delfino provided site photos of what the team has been working on and provided a photo of a concrete truck down the street from the waterworks site surrounded by neighbors as the team weren't allowed to use the driveway; so the team was creative and pumped concrete from across the street for the foundation; the tower cage being set and a photo of the concrete being pumped. The foundation is now completed and the team is making great progress on the build.

BHS – UASI 18

Program Manager Delfino stated the tower is erected, antennas mounts are up for microwave, and there are some receive and transmit antennas installed as well. The shelter is set in place and shared photos of the last remaining items, which is the trench that comes out of the SCE transformer that will feed the site and the slurry backfill.

RIH – UASI 18

Program Manager Delfino provided photos of RIH illustrating smoky conditions, poor visibility, and poor air quality the employees were working through; shared a photo of a crane finishing up the tower and the last photo showed a clear day very recently and the employees are changing out the hardware.

RHT – UASI 18

Program Manager Delfino stated this is a mega site for the network and involves migrating existing equipment to the new LA-RICS tower, and shared photos of the workers finishing the shelter and the emergency generator. There was a delay due to a protected species of bird landing onsite and nesting, but since then the team have made good progress. MSI, subcontractors, and LA-RICS have been working closely with the neighboring synagogue and assisted living facilities to be mindful of noise generation and work hours.

This concludes the Project Manager's Report.

There was no further discussion.

D. Joint Operations and Technical Committee Chairs Report – Lt. Sven Crongeyer / Ted Pao

LA-RICS Technical Lead Ted Pao provided an update from the Joint Operations and Technical Committee for the month. The Regional ISSI working group met on September 24, 2020 to review the status of the ICI-LARICS connection and discussed



the status of the other connections. There were also discussions of connecting specific parameters need to begin involving both technical and operations staff so that when the testing is in process, configurations can be set up properly the first time.

Lieutenant Sven Crongeyer provided an update and stated the team is in discussions with Long Beach Police Department regarding their new radio system connecting to LA-RICS via ISSI. LA-RICS is currently working on a plan to provide notifications to regional agencies regarding the new channels and frequencies for future radio programming. This is important for radio interoperability for their future needs.

This concludes the Joint Operations and Technical Committee Chairs Report.

There was no further discussion.

E. Finance Committee Chair Report – No Report

VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS (F-J)

F. PSBN Round 2 Implementation and Construction Update – Chris Odenthal

Project Director Chris Odenthal presented Agenda Item F and provided an update on sites 21-26 as highlighted below:

- MML2 has largely been frozen in time because of the impact of fires in the Angeles National Forest and subsequent closure for all National Forests in California. The team is expecting an update today on whether the closure is going to continue or if it will be lifted; this information will allow the team to report back on the impact and whether the duration has increased or allowed us to move forward.
- Montebello PD site is finally moving along very nicely and the team is expecting construction to be wrapped up by the end of October with hand over to AT&T with closeout documentation.
- POLA1 and POLA2, progressing well with one item missing a mounting for an antenna and connections for power. The tower is up lines and antennas are installed and equipment is there; all those activities have been done. The team is just waiting for power and the last piece of equipment with both POLA sites in the same position.
- POLB1 all activities by LA-RICS are accomplished; the team is now waiting on POLB and AT&T to agree to terms on their lease agreement; AT&T has asked not to proceed from a construction standpoint until they are certain an



agreement can be struck with the POLB. The team has been working with both sides to try to progress the review and subsequent approval. AT&T is in receipt of redlines and the team should be able to forward shortly and expect overall terms are mutually approved. The team does not have to wait for AT&T and the POLB to sign and execute the agreement in order to proceed, just the notice from AT&T that they are confident a deal will be reached.

- POM2 is taking longer than usual to process drawings from the Judicial Courts of California (JCC) and the team are waiting for them to finalize their review of the drawings. All contractors are on board and ready to go simply waiting for the final approval.

Lastly, Program Director Odenthal stated LA-RICS is in the position to work with AT&T to complete construction at these sites and hand them over; there is no grant deadline on these sites; however, the team does have a deadline of getting these sites constructed and turning over to AT&T for the FirstNet Network as soon as possible.

There was no further discussion.

G. Frequency and Licensing Issues Impacting Land Mobile Radio Deployment – Chris Odenthal and Ted Pao

LA-RICS Technical Lead Ted Pao stated on the TV interference issue, the Channel 16 TV interference is still unresolved but the County is actively mitigating the interference issues with both the TV stations in San Diego and Fresno. The TV station in San Diego has reduced its power output to 20% of its licensed power to mitigate interference that has caused operational issues for the LASD. The County is currently collecting data to determine the outcome of this power reduction mitigation.

LA-RICS Technical Lead Ted Pao went on to state the new antenna for San Diego's TV station is due to arrive at the end of October. The new antenna will be placed at another transmitter site to further reduce the interference signal into Los Angeles.

Since our last report, the County performed testing of directional antennas to mitigate Fresno's Channel 16 signal. The reduction in interference level improved but it was not significant and it continues to impact existing LASD operation.

On the frequency license topic, our applications for our permanent T-Band licenses and the Special Temporary Authorization (STA) applications are still in pending status with the FCC. The County will provide a briefing on the STA status tomorrow.



Project Director Odenthal stated a reminder of Executive Director Edson comment earlier regarding the review of Senate vote at 11am as this would have significant impact to the ability to use UF spectrum in the region. There was no further discussion.

H. Update on Coastal Development Permit Process for Five Land Mobile Radio System Sites – Tanya Roth

Deputy Program Manager Tanya Roth stated it has been a busy two (2) months and an incredible team lift as it relates to the Coastal activities for the program. In addition, to the Topanga site construction highlighted by Program Manager Delfino, on behalf of the team she reported that the team received unanimous approval from Regional Planning Commission for the Coastal Development Permit applications that have been filed. Deputy Program Manager Roth echoed Chief Edson's gratitude and conveyed a special thank you to Chief Glatt, Fire Chief Ewald, Captain Hocking, and Captain Davey for their testimony in support of the projects at hearing. The information they shared provided a poignant experience from a "boots on the ground" perspective and the need for the updated system the team are building. The team is in receipt of appeals and are working through the process with Regional Planning and the Board of Supervisors office. Approval at the Regional Planning Commission Hearing has been a decade in the making and a milestone achievement for the program.

There was no further discussion.

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

Executive Assistant Stallworth-Tait stated before your Board today as Agenda Item I is the Outreach Summary for the months of August and September and highlighted a few of the outreach activities; members of the LA-RICS team participated in the Department of Regional Planning Hearing Officer and Significant Ecological Area Technical Advisory Committee (SEATAC) meetings and the regularly scheduled Regional Planning Commission meetings.

Executive Assistant Stallworth-Tait went on to state meetings continued with AT&T and members of the team met with the Montebello City Manager, Fire Chief and Deputy Director of Housing and Sustainability to discuss construction activity at the Montebello PD LTE2 site.

Lastly, members of the LA-RICS Team participated in a demonstration from Mcmtech Commshop by Motion Deck.

Lieutenant Crongeyer stated the all LASD has completed radio updates at all of its patrol stations and is now upgrading radios at the Detective Bureaus. The team is



currently working on a new code plug for UCLA Police Department and after that will be programming radios for CSULA Police Department including their mobile and dispatch center radios.

There was no further discussion.

VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (J-M)

J. APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO THE ROUND 2 PSBN ASSET TRANSFER AGREEMENT WITH AT&T CORP.

Administrative Deputy Susy Orellana-Curtiss presented Agenda Item J for the Boards consideration, which is Amendment No. 2 to the Asset Transfer Agreement between LA-RICS and AT&T which includes the following recommended actions:

1. Delegate authority to the Executive Director to execute Amendment No. 2 to the Asset Transfer Agreement, in substantially similar form to Enclosure 1 (Amendment 2 to the Asset Transfer Agreement), between the Authority and AT&T to allow the Authority to transfer and assign its 20% right, title, and interest in the remaining BTOP grant-funded buildout of Round 2 of the LA-RICS PSBN, in particular, BTOP grant funded equipment deployed at and entitlements secured for, the twenty-six (26) public safety grade PSBN sites, as well as spare equipment for use as part of the FirstNet NPSBN. Amendment No. 2 to the Asset Transfer Agreement is subject to final approval from NTIA and the NOAA Grants Office; and
2. Delegate authority to the Executive Director to approve and execute amendments to the Asset Transfer Agreement that update or revise the schedules attached to the Agreement, as may be necessary, provided that any such amendments are approved as to form by Counsel to the Authority.

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

Ayes 9: Alexander, Curley, Donovan, Ewald, Fronterotta, Fruhwirth, Geiger, Glatt, and Solinsky.

MOTION APPROVED.

K. APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 47 TO AGREEMENT NO. LA-RICS 008 FOR LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM PUBLIC SAFETY BROADBAND NETWORK

Contracts Manager Jeanette Arismendez presented Agenda Item K, Amendment No. 47 to the PSBN Agreement, for Board approval. Amendment No. 47 contemplated a



reconciliation to reduce certain unused storage costs resulting in a reduction in the contract amount of \$92,504 and recommended the Board take the following actions:

1. Approve Amendment No. 47 to Agreement No. LA-RICS 008 with Motorola Solutions, Inc. (Motorola) to reconcile PSBN Round 2 equipment storage costs resulting in a cost decrease in the amount of \$92,504.
2. Authorize a decrease to the Maximum Contract Sum in the amount of \$92,504 from \$138,237,420 to \$138,144,916, when taking the recommended actions into consideration.
3. Delegate authority to the Executive Director to execute Amendment No. 47, in substantially similar form, to the Amendment enclosed with the Board Letter.

Board Member Mark Alexander motioned first, seconded by Board Member John Curley.

Ayes 9: Alexander, Curley, Donovan, Ewald, Fronterotta, Fruhwirth, Geiger, Glatt, and Solinsky.

MOTION APPROVED.

L. APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO AGREEMENT NO. 78225 FOR JOINT USE AND SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Contracts Manager Arismendez presented Agenda Item L for Board Approval and stated, as previously mentioned by Executive Director Edson, Amendment No. 1 is for an existing MOU between the Authority and the County of Los Angeles Sheriff's Department (LASD). Contracts Manager Arismendez recommended the Board take the following actions:

1. Approve Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. 78225 for the Joint Use and Services Agreement, which contemplates LASD housing, maintaining, insuring, and deploying the Authority's CoLT and CoPT.
2. Delegate authority to the Executive Director to execute Amendment No. 1, in substantially similar form, to the Amendment enclosed with the Board Letter.
3. Delegate authority to the Executive Director to approve and execute Amendments to the Agreement that do not impact the term, or any terms and conditions of the Agreement, provided any such Amendments are approved as to form by Counsel to the Authority.



Contracts Manager Arismendez stated if the Board approved this item, it would then be presented to the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors (BOS) for final execution between the County and the Authority. For additional information regarding this item, both the LA-RICS JPA Board and the County of Los Angeles BOS approved the MOU Agreement in 2014. No other terms and conditions have been modified.

Board Member Mark Alexander asked how the Authority planned to address any damage or destruction to property that may occur while the COLT and COPT are in LASD's operational control. Contracts Manager Arismendez stated the MOU and Amendment No. 1 includes dual indemnity language, meaning if there is any damage from an LA-RICS deployment, then LA-RICS shall assume liability. If LASD damaged the vehicle(s) under its deployment, then LASD assumes any liability incurred.

Alternate Board Member Kay Fruhwirth motioned first, seconded by Alternate Board Member Thomas Ewald.

Ayes 9: Alexander, Curley, Donovan, Ewald, Fronterotta, Fruhwirth, Geiger, Glatt, and Solinsky.

MOTION APPROVED.

M. APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 49 TO AGREEMENT NO. LA-RICS 007 FOR LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM LAND MOBILE RADIO SYSTEM

Contracts Manager Arismendez presented Agenda Item M, Amendment No. 49 to the LMR Agreement, for Board approval. Amendment No. 49 contemplated inclusion of certain LMR Change Order Modifications and Contract Manager Arismendez recommended the Board take the following actions:

1. Make the following findings with respect to the LMR Change Order Modifications:
 - a. Find that (a) approval of Amendment No. 49 to contemplate certain Change Order Modifications at one (1) LMR System site, Mount Lukens 2 (MTL2), related to removing impediments to road access caused by erosion to the site road, 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 this site 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.



- b. Find that (a) approval of Amendment No. 49 to contemplate Change Order Modifications at eleven (11) LMR System sites, Burnt Peak 1 (BUR1), East Sunset Ridge (ESR), Frost Peak (FRP), Grass Mountain (GMT), Johnstone Peak 2 (JPK2), Loop Canyon (LPC), Magic Mountain Link (MML), Mount Lukens 2 (MTL2), Pine Mountain (PMT), Whitaker Middle Peak (WMP), and Whitaker Ridge (WTR) related to new antenna models and powder coating at the 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.
 - c. Find that (a) approval of Amendment No. 49 to contemplate certain Change Order Modifications at two (2) LMR System sites, Mount Disappointment (MDI) and Portal Ridge (PRG) related to the new antenna models and powder coating at the sites, are within the scope of the design, construction, implementation, operation and maintenance activities for the LMR System previously authorized at these two (2) sites, which your Board previously found statutorily exempt from review under CEQA pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080.25, on February 5, 2015, the exemption adopted specifically for the LA-RICS project, and any leased circuit work that may occur outside of Sites MDI and PRG, if needed to provide network connectivity to the LMR System, is 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).
 2. Approve Amendment No. 49 to Agreement No. LA-RICS 007 for a LMR System with Motorola Solutions, Inc. (Motorola), which revises the Agreement to incorporate certain LMR Change Order Modifications as further described in this letter for a total cost increase in the amount of \$370,007.
 3. Authorize an increase to the Maximum Contract Sum in the amount of \$370,007 from \$288,148,083 to \$288,518,090.
 4. Delegate authority to the Executive Director to execute Amendment No. 49, in substantially similar form, to the Amendment enclosed with the Board Letter.

Alternate Chair Glatt inquired if there was a net sum increase. Contracts Manager Arismendez stated there is a total increase of \$370,007.



Board Member Alexander asked what the source of funding was for the \$370,007 increase and Contracts Manager Arismendez indicated the source is from UASI 18 grant funding.

Board Member John Curley motioned first, seconded by Alternate Board Member Thomas Ewald.

Ayes 9: Alexander, Curley, Donovan, Ewald, Fronterotta, Fruhwirth, Geiger, Glatt, and Solinsky.

MOTION APPROVED.

IX. MISCELLANEOUS – NONE

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

Board Member John Curley –conveyed his thoughts and prayers for the two (2) deputies from the LASD and expressed his pleasure hearing the very good news yesterday on the successful criminal filing on the attack of the two (2) deputies. He also offered thanks and appreciation to the Fire partners as well, for what they have been dealing with and continue to deal with in the last couple of months; as a resident of the foothill, community he expressed their work was much appreciated it.

Alternate Chair Mark Glatt and Alternate Board Member Thomas Ewald expressed their thanks to Chief Curley for his sentiments.

XI. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

The Board entered into Closed Session at 9:54am.

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL –Anticipated Litigation (subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9) (2 cases)
2. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION [Government Code Section 54957(b)(1)] Title: Executive Director

The Board returned from Closed Session at 10:30am and Counsel Truc Moore took roll call and acknowledge a quorum was present. Counsel Truc Moore stated the Brown Act does not require a report.

XII. ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING:

The Board meeting adjourned at 10:32 a.m., and the next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 5, 2020, at 9:00 a.m., via Teleconference/Microsoft Teams Meeting.