

### **AGENDA**

## LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AUTHORITY

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Thursday, May 6, 2021 • 9:00 a.m.

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Los Angeles Regional Interoperable Communications System Authority (the "Authority")

### AGENDA POSTED: April 30, 2021

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### Members:

- 1. Fesia Davenport, CEO, County of Los Angeles
- 2. Daryl L. Osby, Vice-Chair, Fire Chief, County of Los Angeles Fire Dept.
- 3. Alex Villanueva, Chair, Sheriff, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Dept.
- 4. Cathy Chidester, Dir., EMS Agency, County of LADHS
- 5. Vacant Seat, The Los Angeles Area Fire Chiefs Association
- 6. Brian Solinsky, Interim Police Chief, City of South Pasadena Police Dept.
- 7. Mark R. Alexander, City Manager, CA Contract Cities Assoc.
- 8. Mark Fronterotta, Chief of Police, City of Inglewood Police Dept.
- 9. Chris Nunley, Chief of Police, City of Signal Hill Police Dept.
- 10. David Povero, Chief of Police, City of Covina Police Dept.

### Alternates:

John Geiger, General Manager, CEO, County of Los Angeles

Anthony Marrone, Deputy Fire Chief, County of Los Angeles Fire Dept.

Eli Vera, Chief, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Dept.

Kay Fruhwirth, Asst., Dir., EMS Agency, County of LADHS

Vacant Seat, The Los Angeles Area Fire Chiefs Association

Vacant Seat, The Los Angeles County Police Chiefs Association

Marcel Rodarte, Executive Dir., CA Contract Cities Assoc. Ed Ridens, Deputy Chief, City of Inglewood Police Dept.

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Brian Leyn, Captain, City of Signal Hill Police Dept.

Ric Walczak, Captain, City of Covina Police Dept.

### Officers:

Scott Edson, Executive Director

Arlene Barerra, County of Los Angeles Auditor-Controller

Keith Knox, County of Los Angeles, Treasurer and Tax Collector

Priscilla Dalrymple, Board Secretary



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

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ANNOUNCE QUORUM ROLL CALL
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (A)
  - **A.** April 1, 2021 Minutes

Agenda Item A

- IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS
- V. CONSENT CALENDAR NONE
- VI. REPORTS (B-E)
  - **B.** Director's Report Scott Edson
    - Executive Summary

Agenda Item B

**C.** Project Manager's Report – Justin Delfino

Agenda Item C

- **D.** Joint Operations and Technical Committee Chairs Report No Report
- **E.** Finance Committee Chairs Report No Report

### VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS (F-I)

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

Agenda Item F

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

Agenda Item G



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

Agenda Item H

I. Outreach Update – Lieutenant Sven Crongeyer

Agenda Item I

### VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (J-K)

J. REQUEST TO ADD TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DELEGATED AUTHORITY REGARDING AGREEMENT NO. LA-RICS 007 FOR LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM LAND MOBILE RADIO SYSTEM

It is recommended that your Board delegate authority to the Executive Director to issue unilateral amendments to the LMR Agreement, as may be necessary, up to the not-to-exceed amount of \$210,000 per Amendment for changes in work, provided such unilateral amendments are approved as to form by Counsel to the Authority.

Agenda Item J

## K. APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 4 TO THE BUSINESS AGREEMENT WITH AT&T CORP.

It is recommended that your Board:

- Delegate authority to the Executive Director to execute Amendment No. 4 to the Business Agreement, in substantially similar form to Enclosure 1 (Amendment No. 4), between the Authority and AT&T to allow the Authority to receive two (2) payments of \$3 million each in connection with the Asset Transfer Agreement for PSBN Round 2 sites.
- 2. Delegate Authority to the Executive Director to approve and execute amendments to the Business Agreement, as may be necessary, provided that any such amendments are approved as to form by Counsel to the Authority.

Agenda Item K



- IX. MISCELLANEOUS NONE
- X. ITEMS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION BY THE BOARD
- XI. CLOSED SESSION REPORT
  - 1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL –Anticipated Litigation (subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9) (1 case).

### XII. ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, June 3, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., via Microsoft Teams / Teleconference Meeting.



### **BOARD MEETING INFORMATION**

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# BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

### LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AUTHORITY

Thursday, April 1, 2021 • 9:00 a.m. Conducted via Microsoft Teams Meeting\*

### **Board Members Present:**

Daryl Osby, Vice-Chair, Fire Chief, County of Los Angeles Fire Dept.

Cathy Chidester, Dir., EMS Agency, County of LADHS

Brian Solinsky, Interim Police Chief, City of South Pasadena Police Dept.

Mark Alexander, City Manager, CA Contract Cities Assoc.

### **Alternates For Board Members Present:**

John Geiger, General Manager, County of Los Angeles Eli Vera, Chief, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Dept. Ed Ridens, Deputy Chief, City of Inglewood 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. **David Povero**, Chief, City of Covina Police Dept. **Vacant Seat**, The Los Angeles Area Fire Chiefs Association



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

### I. CALL TO ORDER

Alternate Chair, Eli Vera, called the Board meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

### II. ANNOUNCE QUORUM – Roll Call

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

### III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (A)

**A.** March 4, 2021 – Minutes

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

Board Member Mark Alexander motioned first, seconded by Board Member Daryl Osby.

Ayes 7: Alexander, Chidester, Geiger, Osby, Ridens, Solinsky and Vera.

MOTION APPROVED.

### IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Alternate Board Member Deputy Fire Chief Thomas Ewald from the County of Los Angeles Fire Department stated a brief introduction to Deputy Fire Chief Anthony Marrone, who will assume the Alternate Board Member positions in Fire Chief Daryl Osby absence. Alternate Board Member Ewald stated this change will take effect on April 1, 2021, and would like to welcome him to the LA-RICS Team.

### V. CONSENT CALENDAR - NONE

### VI. REPORTS (B-E)

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

### LTE Update

Executive Director Scott Edson stated he has excellent news to report, March 17th the federal grantor approved the transfer of title and 20% non-federal share interest in the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) funded Round 2 assets to FirstNet / AT&T. The team immediately contacted AT&T with the news urging them to

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### **AGENDA ITEM A**



execute the Amendment to the Asset Transfer Agreement, which contemplates the transfer of these assets as well as signatures on grant required forms. LA-RICS is working closely with AT&T to ensure the documents are signed and processed by no later than April 15th, which will also immediately trigger remaining payment of \$6 million to us in accordance with LA-RICS Business Agreement. In parallel the team continues to work with AT&T on PSBN Round 2 sites 21 to 26, and Project Director Odenthal will provide additional details under Agenda Item F.

Following the items listed on the agenda, next is frequencies, and the team continues to work with County of Los Angeles Internal Service Department (ISD) on frequency usage and interference LA-RICS lead engineer Ted Pao will provide an update on frequency and licensing under Agenda Item G.

### LMR updates

Executive Director Edson stated moving on to Land Mobile Radio (LMR) coastal he is happy to share more good news! After years of environmental analysis, design, Coastal permit packet preparation and submission, the team are one step closer to achieving Coastal Development permits at Fire Station 72 and Saddle Peak in the Santa Monica Mountains. Following the Board of Supervisors (BOS) certification of findings and denial of appeals in February, triggered commencement of the second appeal period. The second appeal period ended March 12, 2021, with no appeals filed. This was a significant accomplishment for the region given the critical service area these sites cover. Deputy Program Manager Tanya Roth will provide the Board with additional details relating to this process under Agenda Item H, however; Executive Director stated he wanted to take this opportunity to congratulate the team on the tremendous efforts and diligence taking us one step closer to bringing these sites into the System.

Executive Director Edson stated as for the three (3) Catalina sites that received their respective Coastal Development Permits in December, Motorola Solutions Inc., (MSI) received building permits for two (2) of the three (3) sites the first week of January and for the one site that was pending, Dakin Peak, that cleared for permit issuance on Tuesday of this week. LA-RICS would like to send thanks to our partners at the Department of Public Works for assisting with the expediting of Geotechnical and Materials Engineering Division (GMED) clearance which resulted in permits being ready to issue this week.

LA-RICS continues to require MSI provide a recovery schedule to address the time lost for the stand down of work at the two permitted Catalina sites as well as to address time lost due to delayed permit issuance at DPK site. The team also continues to ask for a meeting so the team can come to an agreement on and IMS, but they have yet to commit.



### **Grants**

In regards to the Land Mobile Radio (LMR) performance and Grants, as was reported to the Board at the February and March Board meetings, despite extensive oversight and urgency tied to deliverables that are now officially late under the Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) 18 grant, MSI was again unable to deliver completion of work on time, causing us to seek a formal extension from California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES), which the team submitted just last week.

Executive Director stated the last minute request was made once it was abundantly clear MSI would not be able to complete the UASI 18 work by Mid-April, which was the extended performance period time allotted to us by the City Mayor's Office, who is the grant administrator. A portion of the delay is tied to Southern California Edson (SCE) power delivery which, Executive Director Edson reported to the Board, is resultant from late scheduling of inspections by MSI. Additionally, in order to attempt to mitigate some of these issues the team met with the United States Forest Service (USFS) supervisor last week to explore creative solutions to power at three (3) USFS sites. The team will be working closely with SCE, USFS and MSI to ensure power is efficiently and effectively achieved at these sites, while also addressing the SCE power delay by scheduling up front power, which means as an activity at the front end of site work commencement verses as a last step, as MSI has been doing. The team has directed MSI follow this order and are ensuring they comply with the directive.

Additionally, thanks to the tremendous pressure applied on the need to resume work at UASI 19 sites, Executive Director Edson stated he is happy to report work has commenced, albeit late, at GRM, Universal and RPVT. Project Manager Justin Delfino will provide additional details on LMR build under his project managers report.

Executive Director stated the importance of schedule recovery and completion of this important System will be further addressed by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) lead, Lieutenant Sven Crongeyer, under both his outreach report, as well as Joint Ops / Tech Committee report. Since Wendy Stallworth-Tait promoted and transferred to the BOS Holly Mitchell's office, at this meeting and future meetings, the Board will continue to receive a written document on outreach (Agenda J) and Lieutenant Crongeyer will provide verbal reports on other outreach contacts and actions.

The verbal report will highlight some of the interagency collaboration that is heavy and ongoing in preparation for System Acceptance, as well as early onboarding via MOU, which further details the importance of this MSI System and the critical role it plays in providing interoperable communications to regional users such as the Inglewood Police Department.

Agenda Item K is the Fiscal-Year 2019-20 independent auditors report, presented by the LA-RICS Authority's fiscal agent, the County of Los Angeles Auditor Controller,



Executive Director Edson stated he is happy to report this is another favorable audit for your consideration and files. This should come as no surprise as the grants and administrative team under the management of Administrative Deputy Chief Susy Orellana-Curtiss is the best he has seen in more than 40 years in the business.

Lastly, the Director reported as wrap up reconciliation and true up of LMR system sites occurs, the team request the Board consider Agenda Item L, which incorporates final site changes (such as changes to originally considered DC power, generator and shelter) as well as a change order heard and approved by the Change Control Board for UNIV site.

Executive Director Edson thanked the Chair and Board members and concluded his report.

There was no further discussion.

C. Project Manager's Report – Justin Delfino

### 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 followed by an LTE update from Program Director Chris Odenthal:

### **Open and Active Sites:**

- Program Manager Delfino stated the majority of UASI 18 sites are completed and waiting for meter sets from utility company. A number of Work Acceptance Certificates (WACs) for those sites have been processed already and the remaining WACS should be received by the end of April.
- The team had a meeting with USFS in this period in regards to three (3) sites MML, WTR and MDI all of which have presented unique power challenges (setting power poles). The team is working with SCE and MSI to overcome the issue of setting new power poles in the Angeles Forest.
- An extension has been requested of the Grantor and the team plans to meet mid-April with the grantor to provide an updated status.
- UASI 19 sites have progressed with five (5) new starts, RPVT, GRM, MTL2, UNIV and BJM.
- UASI 18 will bring 14 important sites onto the network, site count remains at 58 total sites in the network.

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### **AGENDA ITEM A**



 Seven (7) sites remaining left to start in the Program, 32 sites have normal power turned on, MSI has optimized 27 sites. Program Manager Delfino stated that the optimized sites make it possible to start the cell optimization and then ultimately the county-wide analog conventional system will be tested last. Physical build-out is approximately 82% complete.

### **Notable March successes on the LMR Program:**

- Program Manager Delfino stated MSI has submitted SPH for plan check, only TOPRELAY and SPN remain.
- SPN and LACF072 were both approved by California Coastal Commission a huge milestone.
- Zero recordable injuries to date.

### SAA's:

All site access agreements are complete.

### Open Issues Unresolved:

- Program Manager Delfino stated MSI report No. 91 was not provided to the JPA Board this month because the team felt that the report was not strictly factual and therefore, it was not worth providing to the JPA Board. In addition, the board received a formal letter just prior to this meeting and Program Manager Delfino stated he can address any questions the Board may have about the letter at the end of the presentation.
- MSI is still struggling to manage IMS submissions, as well as their understanding of the requirements in the Agreement. Specifically, MSI struggles with the submission frequency, quality of the submissions, and the required elements for the submissions. MSI is required to submit a recovery schedule which shall include labor loading plans in accordance with Exhibit H. Section 5.1. Recent IMS submissions have been sent to the Authority as "Information Only" and each has been promptly rejected by the Authority. The parties are required to accept an IMS since it is the roadmap document to completion and determines the agreed finish date of the Program.
- MSI's non-continuous work is still negatively effecting MMRP operations. These
  issues are ongoing and are not resolved, corrective measures are being applied in
  each of the areas mentioned in this report.



### **Current Areas of Focus:**

- Program Manager Delfino stated resolution in Forest for Power at three (3) sites is a top priority since they are UASI 18 sites.
- Construction starts at the remaining UASI 19 sites.
- Close-out documentation processing for UASI 18 Grant. MSI submitted all planned close out manuals, however there were problems with the quality of each submission, so the teams have agreed to hold regularly occurring coordination meeting to resolve the issues together. The Authority expects that all of the required submissions will be corrected and returned to the Authority prior to the extension period closing.
- IMS Resolution (review of planned labor efforts vs. opportunities for recovery).

Program Manager Delfino provided updates and shared site photos of what the team has been working on as stated below:

### **AGH**

Program Manager Delfino shared a photo of AGH and stated this site was in UASI 17 but the work was moved to UASI 18 and is now been completed and energized.

### <u>LPC</u>

Program Manager Delfino shared a photo of the completed site and this photo was taken during a punch walk with MSI representatives (PNS).

### **GMT**

Program Manager Delfino shared a photo of the tower noting that the darker color finish is to meet the requirement of the US Forest to blend in and not cause visual impacts to the surrounding area. This photo was also taken during a punch walk.

### UCLA

Program Manager Delfino shared a photo of the rooftop installation now completed. This is also an LTE2 site.

### PRG & MML

Program Manager Delfino shared a photo of the soil issues that have been resolved.

### MTL2

Program Manager Delfino shared a photo of the weather conditions/snow confirming this site has started construction.



### MDI

Program Manager Delfino shared a photo of the snow-covered road at MDI site, which did prevent access for the contractor on at least on two (2) occasions due to the snow in the reporting period.

### **MDI (continued)**

Program Manager Delfino shared a photo of a crane lowering the vault for the electrical run confirming that the electrical utility scope is the final remaining piece of work that will be finished prior to the grant deadline.

### **CPK**

Program Manager Delfino shared a photo of cement foundation being poured as well as one depicting tower that will be erected this week.

### **PMT**

Program Manager Delfino shared a photo of progress of the generator and fuel tank foundation being poured.

### PMT (continued)

Program Manager Delfino shared a photo of how the drill rig is conveyed up remote forest roads.

### **RPVT**

Program Manager Delfino shared a photo of construction started and commented that front-end power work will be done at this site to get an earlier start on getting power on prior to completion of the site. MSI agreed to sequence work in this fashion for the remaining projects since their prior means and methods did not result in timely completion of power causing late project finishes and often jeopardizing grant completions triggering spend plan modifications and extensions.

This concludes the Project Manager's Report.

There was no further discussion.

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

Lieutenant Crongeyer stated a draft copy of the 13 Channel ACVRS MOU is currently under review by the County's Internal Services Department's Contracts section. LA-RICS will report back as soon as the team receives the revised MOU from them. Committee members continue to plan for interoperability with the City of Los Angeles, the ICI radio system and the City of Long Beach. A plan to have each of these systems implement regional talk groups with common names is currently in discussion. This concludes my report.



### E. Finance Committee Chair Report – No Report

### VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS (F-J)

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

Program Director Chris Odenthal stated the document before the Board is a table showing all sites with progress which remains consistent. LA-RICS is slowly finishing out all of the green to go over sites 21 through 26 MML2, MNTBLPD, and POLA1 are all construction complete.

Program Director Odenthal stated MNTBLPD has final electrical to work with the station and that site will be all done. MML has power delivery through the LMR system and will be available once it is resolved at the USFS. POLA1 received its final piece of equipment and is awaiting LADWP work to be connected to the site. POLA2 is awaiting their ATS, which should arrive next week and then all the power will connect to Fenix terminal next door. This site will be complete once the ATS has been installed. Regarding the POLB1 site, AT&T and the Port have agreed on rent figure and are now in negotiations on the final conditions for the lease agreement. POM2 is currently under construction and awaiting final approval from the Judicial Courts of California. (JCC), with their construction engineers are taking a final look at the roof pad. The team is expecting approval in the next week or so and this site will be completed.

Lastly, Program Director Odenthal stated as for sites 1 through 20 for the Asset Transfer as Executive Director Edson mentioned in his report, AT&T has site civil and compliance acceptance at 19 out of the 20. The team has one (1) item left on PRG with a meeting being held now with AT&T to confirm that all items from a leasing and compliance perspective have been achieved. The focus is largely on NEPA and Environmental clearance, ensuring that all documentation is processed. LA-RICS has 11 sites with power from SCE with a couple from the Forest waiting on LMR to receive power and four (4) more for SCE to be metered and energized. These sites are well on their way to be turned on by SCE and the team will continue to work with AT&T as they accept the assets.

This concludes the update.

There was no further discussion.



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

LA-RICS Lead Engineer Ted Pao stated on the TV interference issue, the County is now determining if the reported radio static issues at the Century Sheriff Station are related to interference and from which source. The County will also revisit Fresno TV station interference at Tejon Peak to determine the impact to Sheriff's operations. Both issues are within the Channel 16 spectrum, which may impact LA-RICS operation in the future.

In regards to the frequency license topic, all of the new T-band applications have been submitted to FCC on March 22, 2021. These applications are for the NMDN, ACVRS, and UHF DTVRS sub-systems. The team is keeping its fingers crossed for a quick issuance of licenses since most of these applications have been previously reviewed for their technical merit by FCC.

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 the team is nearing completion of this discussion item series covering Coastal Development Permit (CDP) status of five (5) LMR sites. Deputy Program Manager Roth stated as the Board may recall from last month's report the release of the Amendments to the CDP's on Catalina to account for a change in MSI's access route concluded all open CDP items for Black Jack Mountain (BJM), Dakin Peak (DPK) and Tower Peak(TPK). Subsequent to that, work inside the shelter at BJM commenced, marking the significant milestone construction start on Santa Catalina Island. Once the shelter work is complete the site will go dormant until July 1st, the end of fox pupping season, which restricts ground disturbing activities on the island. The DPK building permit DPK cleared this week and so all three (3) sites are expected to commence full construction in early July once the fox pupping season closes.

Deputy Program Manager Roth stated for the two (2) Santa Monica Mountains sites, Fire Station 072 and Saddle Peak, the team is just a few short weeks away from issuance of the CDPs. The conditions of approval, notices of determination and signed acceptance affidavits are with the Registrar Recorder's Office for recording against the applicable parcels. Once certified copies are available they will be delivered to Department of Regional Planning (DRP) for final review and approval, which is the last gating item for issuance of the CDPs. Deputy Program Manager Roth stated construction at Fire Station 072 should be ready to start in May representing another milestone for LA-RICS, as this area has been a known coverage trouble spot for many years.



In an unexpected turn of events with Saddle Peak, the landowner informed the LA-RICS project team that an existing tenant on the same parcel will be vacating and leaving in place their oversized shelter and 70' lattice tower making the infrastructure available for a future tenant. Taking into account the construction logistics and the coverage provided by the currently proposed Saddle Peak site consisting of two (2) 18' towers, the opportunity to make use of this soon to be abandoned infrastructure is incredibly interesting. The LA-RICS team is diligently exploring this site option, the team refers to this as site as "MCI."

Finally, Topanga (TOP) one of the early costal sites that secured a CDP exemption allowing for the swap of an existing wood pole for a new steel monopole. Development of this site will enable critical microwave connectivity to Green Mountain (GRM) and Agoura Hills (AGH), which is the primary purpose of the TOP site. The team is in collaboration with MSI and working on a CDP package for submittal to Regional Planning to augment the TOP site with a coverage component to bring assorted subsystems to the TOP location. This site augmentation will entail a new equipment shelter and new LMR antennas on an existing tower. This augmentation is known as site RELAY.

Deputy Program Manager Roth stated in closing as it relates to the full portfolio of LA-RICS LMR sites in the coastal zone, the team expects the upcoming months to focus on the following:

- 1. Construction kick off at Fire Station 72
- 2. Construction logistics planning for full mobilization after fox pupping season on Catalina
- 3. Due diligence on MCI
- 4. RELAY Coastal and Building Permit processing

This concludes the update.

There was no further discussion.

Outreach Update – Lieutenant Sven Crongeyer

Lieutenant Crongeyer stated a detailed outreach summary document for the month of March is included in the agenda packet for the Board's review and information.

Lieutenant Crongeyer stated last month the team met with the Chief of the Hacienda / La Puente Unified School District Police Department to discuss radio requirements and LA-RICS on-boarding details.



LA-RICS continued to provide support for the ongoing COVID-19 vaccination site at Cal State University, Los Angeles and the team has spoken with United States Army Corps of Engineers to conduct a needs assessment and talk about radio interoperability as well as the possibility of on-boarding some of their employees.

This concludes the update.

There was no further discussion.

Alternate Chair Vera requested to go out of order and pull Agenda Item K first in section VII. Administrative Matters.

### VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (J-L)

## K. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2020 – BCA WATSON RICE LLP

Chief Accountant Rachelle Anema from the Los Angeles County Auditor Controller's Office presented Agenda Item K. Ms. Anema stated in the Agenda packet is the Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report for the year end of June 30, 2020. In prior years' independent firm BCA Watson Rice LLP has performed the audit and they have been the auditors for LA-RICS for many years. Ms Anema stated every three (3) years there is a bid for an auditor.

Ms. Anema stated in the audit report, pages 1 to 3, is the Independent Auditor's Report and their findings. As Executive Director stated the auditors found a clean opinion, which means no findings. Ms. Anema also stated for those of you whom are not familiar with financial statements on pages 4 and 5 is the Management Discussion and Analysis, which provides a good summary of the audit report and financial highlights of the Authority for that year. The rest of the report includes financial statements and required notes to the financial statements as required by the governmental County Status Board. Ms. Anema stated on page 26 is the single audit, which is required because of the Federal grants and this is has been finalized and filed online.

It is recommended the Board receive the auditor's report for the year ending June 30, 2020.

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

Ayes 7: Alexander, Chidester, Geiger, Osby, Ridens, Solinsky and Vera.

### RECEIVE AND FILE.



## J. APPROVE ENTERING INTO A LAND MOBILE RADIO SYSTEM EARLY ONBOARDING MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH INGLEWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT

Contracts Manager Jeanette Arismendez presented Agenda Item J, to approve entering into an LMR System early onboarding MOU with the Inglewood Police Department and recommended the Board take the following actions:

- Authorize the LA-RICS Authority to enter into a Land Mobile Radio (LMR) System Early Onboarding Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Inglewood Police Department (IGPD).
- Delegate authority to the Executive Director to execute the LMR System Early Onboarding MOU with IGPD, substantially similar in form to the MOU template in the enclosed with the Board Letter, to allow IGPD early operational usage of LA-RICS' network and cores.
- Delegate authority to the Executive Director to approve and execute amendments
  to the exhibits of the LMR System Early Onboarding MOU, as needed for changes
  provided that any such amendments are approved as to form by Counsel to the
  Authority, and as permitted by LA-RICS Policy No. 023-2018, LA-RICS LMR
  System Early Onboarding Policy.

Contracts Manager Arismendez provided a brief background to the Board regarding Board Policy No. 23-2018, as approved by the Board on April 3, 2019, which allowed for the early onboarding of agencies to utilize the LMR System prior to final LMR system acceptance. Contracts Manager Arismendez also apprised the Board that on March 16, 2021, the item was presented to the Joint Tech/Ops Committee, where they voted unanimously to recommend approval by the Board to enter into an agreement with Inglewood Police Department for the usage of the LA-RICS network and core.

Board Member Mark Alexander motioned first, seconded by Board Member Daryl Osby.

Ayes 7: Alexander, Chidester, Geiger, Osby, Ridens, Solinsky and Vera.

**MOTION APPROVED.** 



## L. APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 58 TO AGREEMENT NO. LA-RICS 007 FOR LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM LAND MOBILE RADIO SYSTEM

Contracts Manager Arismendez presented Agenda Item L, Amendment No. 58 to the LMR Agreement with Motorola Solutions Inc., (Motorola) and recommended the Board take the following actions:

- 1. Make the following findings with respect to the reconciliation of a modification to one (1) LMR System Site and one (1) Change Order Modification:
  - Find that (a) approval of Amendment No. 58 to contemplate the changes necessary to reflect the reconciliation and a Change Order Modification at one (1) LMR System Site, Universal Studios (UNIV), related to redesign work at the two existing building locations that constitute Site UNIV, the Universal City Plaza location and the Universal City Walk location, is within the scope of the design, construction, implementation, operation and maintenance activities for the LMR System previously authorized at this site, which the Board previously found categorically exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) on December 12, 2016, for the Universal City Plaza location and on August 1, 2019, for Universal City Walk location pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301, 15303 and 15304, and find that any leased circuit work that may occur outside of this site, 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) as noted in the record of the project, and the determination that these activities are exempt from CEQA remains unchanged.
- 2. Approve Amendment No. 58 to Agreement No. LA-RICS 007 for a LMR System with Motorola, which revises the Agreement to reconcile a modification to Phase 2 for one (1) LMR System Site for a cost decrease in the amount of \$57,167 and incorporate one (1) a LMR Change Order Modification for cost increase in the amount of \$61,668 as was furtherer described in the Board Letter for a net cost increase in the amount of \$4,502.
- 3. Authorize an increase to the Maximum Contract Sum in the amount of \$4,502 when taking the recommended actions into consideration from \$287,646,565 to \$287,651,067.
- 4. Allow for the issuance of one of more Notices to Proceed for the Work contemplated in Amendment No. 58.



5. Delegate authority to the Executive Director to execute Amendment No. 58, in substantially similar form, to the Amendment enclosed with the Board Letter.

At the conclusion of Contracts Manager Arismendez' presentation, she elicited questions from the Board. There were no questions. Board Member Daryl Osby motioned first, seconded by Board Member Mark Alexander.

Ayes 7: Alexander, Chidester, Geiger, Osby, Ridens, Solinsky and Vera.

MOTION APPROVED.

- IX. MISCELLANEOUS NONE
- X. ITEMS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION BY THE BOARD
- XI. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

The Board entered into Closed Session at 9:53 a.m.

 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL –Anticipated Litigation (subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9) (1 case).

The Board returned from Closed Session at 10:38 a.m., and Counsel Roberto Saldana took roll call and acknowledged a quorum was present. Counsel Saldana stated the Brown Act does require a report of certain actions taken during closed session. The Board has elected to direct legal Counsel in consultation with the Chair of the Board to prepare a response. There were no abstentions for this direction. Mr. Saldana stated the meeting is now back to open session.

### XII. ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING:

Alternate Chair Vera called for a motion to adjourn; the Board meeting adjourned at 10:39 a.m., and the next meeting will be held on Thursday, May 6, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., via Microsoft Teams / Teleconference Meeting.

### **Executive Summary**

May 6, 2021

### **LTE Update**

PSBN Round 2 – The month of April 2021, has been focused on site acceptance of the first group of twenty (20) builds with AT&T/ FirstNet. At this time 19 of the 20 sites have received Civil and Regulatory acceptance by FirstNet/ AT&T. In an effort to improve completion of these projects from SCE, we called for and participated in a meeting with SCE Executive Management in their power delivery group. Our efforts bore immediate progress and the few remaining sites that have power issues (most in the Angeles National Forest and are awaiting power delivery under LMR) have a path to resolution. We are expecting power to be resolved for most of the sites with the exception of two (2), MML2 and WTR2 by the end of May. The one site (PRG2) that still requires AT&T civil and compliance acceptance has an LA-RICS approved solution and we are awaiting AT&T's environmental input. For Sites 1-20, there were no recordable injuries, labor compliance violations, nor environmental findings on the build-out. Regarding Sites 21-26, LA-RICS has completed both POLA1 and POLA2 installations with POLA2 receiving permanent power on April 26th. POLA1 is complete and awaiting LA DWP to perform its install work. MML2 has all of its scope completed now that the soils management issues have been resolved. The power issue for both the LMR and LTE2 installations at MML2 and along with WTR2 was the subject of a joint meeting between LA-RICS, USFS, SCE, and AT&T on April 21st. The purpose was to resolve compliance with SCE's plan to deliver power in the USFS. The USFS has asked that we redesign our power route through the existing road to minimize impacts to the area. POM2 is currently under construction and has made significant progress towards completion which is planned in late May 2021. MNTBLPD is completed with its base scope work and LA-RICS is waiting on final meter set date. Lastly, POLB1 cannot yet start construction since the negotiation between the Port of Long Beach and AT&T/FirstNet is not yet complete. Close out materials for the five sites constructed are assembled, some of which are already under review by FirstNet/ AT&T for acceptance. LA-RICS and its contractors are poised to bolster the FirstNet/AT&T coverage in the region with the delivery of twenty-six (26) public safety grade LTE sites in 2021.

### LMR Update

• Building Permit(s) SPH was submitted to plan check, TOPRELAY has not yet been submitted to Coastal Commission for review but all required documents have been submitted by MSI and the Authority team is reviewing and editing to ensure compliance with Los Angeles County Department Regional Planning requirements. The site SPN was permitted by the Coastal Commission but the Authority has been granted the opportunity to move to a site that is already constructed which provides greater coverage with less cost. The LA-RICS Coastal team is moving forward with an Exemption packet for this site after conferring with the California Coastal Commission last Monday. Total site count remains at fifty-eight (58) sites for the LA-RICS LMR network.

- MSI is still not yet in compliance with the Contract as it pertains to the Integrated Master Schedule. The LA-RICS team is in constant communication with the MSI team based on their performance and ability to produce and adhere to a schedule. As you know, we believed we had reached consensus in December of 2020 only for MSI to remove its backing of the schedule. We continue to manage to that schedule to the greatest extent possible while simultaneously requesting MSI and Liberty Mutual, MSI's Bonding Company, resolve MSI's default. The Catalina Island sites are now the sites on the Critical Path due to MSI missing the ground disturbance window prior to the start of fox pupping. MSI's "information only" IMS submittals indicate that the system acceptance milestone is February 2, 2023. MSI has also requested an extension to complete several of the UASI 18 Phase 2 tasks, due to incomplete electrical utility installations by MSI and the utility provider. The Authority has agreed to seek an extension with the grantor but has not excused MSI's untimely Phase 2 work performance. In March, the Authority sent formal correspondence to MSI demanding a recovery schedule. MSI's construction manager indicated in an April 6<sup>th</sup> LMR System Meeting that the recovery schedule would be transmitted to the Authority at the end of the month. However, MSI's Program Director later indicated that MSI was under no obligation to submit a recovery schedule at all and would not be submitting the document. In addition, the MSI Program Director also commented that while MSI is working from the "information only" IMS documents submitted each month, he is not willing to submit them for approval, nor is he confident in meeting the expressed finish date, especially without a settlement over a December 31, 2019, rejected change order request in the amount of \$55M.
- Sites Eligible to Construct: (Includes Completed Sites, Sites under Construction and/or Equipment Installs and Locations).
  - 1. APC Airport Courthouse
  - 2. BMT Bald Mountain
  - 3. CCB Compton Court
  - 4. CCT –Foltz Court
  - 5. CLM Claremont
  - 6. FCCF Fire Command and Control
  - 7. HPK Hauser Peak
  - 8. LAN Lancaster Sherriff Station
  - LADWP243 Junction of I-5 and CA-14
  - 10. LASDTEM Temple City Sheriff
  - 11. LA-RICS HQ, Monterey Park
  - 12. MLM Mira Loma Detention Center
  - MMC Palmdale Sierra Pelona Mountain Way
  - 14. MVS Monte Vista Star Center
  - 15. ONK Oat Nike
  - 16. PHN Puente Hills
  - 17. PLM Palmdale Sheriff
  - 18. SDW San Dimas Water Tank
  - 19. TPK Tejon peak
  - 20. VPK Verdugo Peak Glendale
  - 21. SGH Signal Hill
  - 22. MIR Mirador
  - 23. BKK West Covina

- 24. OAT Nike
- 25. AGH Agoura Hills
- 26. INDWT Industry Water Tank
- 27. BHS Baldwin Hills
- 28. RIH Rio Hondo
- 29. CRN Cerro Negro
- 30. POM Pomona Courthouse
- 31. DPW038 Water Works Substation 038
- 32. UCLA Factor Building
- 33. Del Valle Training Center
- 34. RHT Rolling Hills Transmit
- 35. GMT Grass Mountain
- 36. JPK2 Johnstone Peak 2
- 37. PRG Portal Ridge
- 38. WMP Whitaker Middle Peak
- 39. WTR Whitaker Ridge
- 40. LPC Loop Canyon
- 41. MML Magic Mountain Link
- 42. PMT Pine Mountain
- 43. MDI Mount Disappointment
- 44. FRP Frost Peak
- 45. TOP Topanga Peak
- 46. UNIV Universal
- 47. MTL2 Mount Lukens

- 48. GRM Green Mountain
- 49. BJM Black Jack Mountain
- 50. TWR Tower Peak
- 51. RPVT Ranchos Palos Verdes Golf Course
- 52. BUR1 Burnt Peak

LA-RICS GRANT STATUS							
Grant	Award	Costs Incurred/NTP Issued	Invoiced / Paid	Remaining Balance	Performance Period		
UASI 12	\$18,263,579	\$18,263,579	\$18,263,579	\$-	3/31/17		
UASI 13	\$13,744,067	\$13,744,067	\$13,744,067	\$-	3/31/18		
UASI 14	\$4,997,544	\$4,997,544	\$4,997,544	\$-	7/31/17		
UASI 16	\$5,240,455	\$5,240,455	\$5,240,455	\$-	5/31/19		
UASI 17	\$34,763,750	\$34,763,750	\$34,763,750	\$-	5/31/20		
UASI 18	\$35,000,030	\$35,000,030	\$ 32,164,125	\$-	5/31/21		
UASI 19	\$35,000,000	\$34,157,288	\$ 1,807,080	\$842,712	5/31/22		
BTOP	\$149,608,227	\$149,608,227	\$149,608,227	\$ 0*	9/30/20		

<sup>\*\$0</sup> Balance remaining to NTP on activities approved through Special Award Condition Amendment No. 30.



## **Los Angeles Regional**

### **Interoperable Communications System**

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Events of September 11, 2001 highlighted the need for first responders to be able to communicate with each other. Emergency communications primarily address local jurisdictional needs and most agencies utilize separate radio towers, equipment, and radio frequencies. LA-RICS is designed to address each of these concerns.

Currently, there is duplication of systems which leads to increased costs while continuing to inhibit first responders' ability communicate with each other. Many legacy systems around the County are obsolete and well beyond their useful life. The LA-RICS Project vision is to provide innovative solutions for the public safety community by removing barriers to interoperable voice and data communications and allow individuals and agencies to focus on accomplishing their mission with the tools necessary to provide excellent service to their communities. To accomplish this vision, the program is implementing a County-wide public safety wireless voice and data radio system for all first and secondary responders. Existing radio frequencies will be pooled, and the current infrastructure utilized wherever practical.

Design, construction, and deployment of a County-wide Land Mobile Radio (LMR) voice network utilizes 59 sites. Additionally, the Authority is analyzing twenty-six (26) sites for the purpose of augmenting the FirstNet deployment in the region. All sites in both the LMR and LTE augmentation will comply with CEQA and NEPA standards.

Project and Construction Management Services will provide network, infrastructure, project, and advisory services across four of the five program phases (Phase 5 – Maintenance is excluded) for each of the LMR and LTE projects:

Phase 1 - System design

Phase 2 - Site construction and modification

Phase 3 - Supply telecommunication system components

Phase 4 - Telecommunications system implementation

Phase 5 - Telecommunications system maintenance

Location:

2525 Corporate Place, Suite 100 Monterey Park, CA 91754

Authority:

Los Angeles Regional Interoperable Communications System

Management:

**LA-RICS Project Team** 

Consultant:

**Jacobs Program Management Company** 

Communications Vendor:

LMR - Motorola Solutions, Inc.

LTE - Motorola Solutions, Inc., David Evans & Associates, Metrocell, Inc., Diversified Communications, Inc, Motive Energy, Inc. and Jitney, Inc.

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LA-RICS

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### LTE UPDATES

No new activity

### Operations/Governance

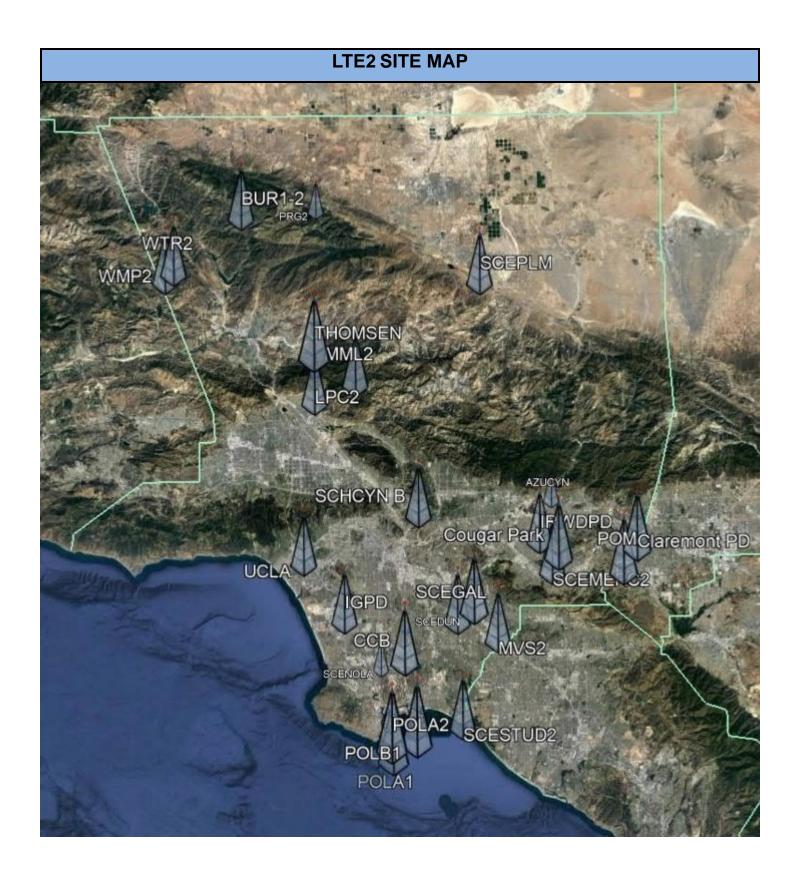
- The LA-RICS Operations team is holding meetings three (3) times a week to focus on the following:
  - 1. Manage network migration from LA-RICS PSBN to AT&T FirstNet
  - 2. Ensure internal LA-RICS operational aspects are in place
  - 3. Develop and Implement Policies

### **Special Events**

No new activity.

### LTE Round 2 Updates

- Twenty (25) sites are substantially completed. The LA-RICS Authority successfully closed out its BTOP grant with NTIA completing twenty (20) sites. FirstNet/AT&T is expected to accept the twenty (20) sites from the first installment group by the end of May 2021. LA-RICS identified an issue with Southern California Edison (SCE) in its ability to process meter releases sent by the agencies having inspection jurisdiction. The Authority and SCE have had several exchanges in this reporting period to resolve any/ all issues causing delay in SCE's performance to energize five (5) urban sites that are not yet powered on, and the four (4) sites in the U.S. Forest (Angeles Forest) which must also be energized.
- Work on sites twenty-one (21) through twenty-six (26) is continuing under a revised agreement with FirstNet/ AT&T.
  - o Construction Status:
    - o Substantially Completed Site(s): MML2,MTBLPD, POM2 POLA1 and POLA2.
    - The City of Long Beach and FirstNet AT&T continue negotiations to finalize the Site Access Agreement for the POLB1 Site and therefore the site has not begun construction.
    - o There are no safety issues to report on in this period.



### LMR UPDATES

### **General Comment**

 MSI has submitted its monthly reports so late that it has made it difficult, if not impossible to thoroughly vet them prior to delivering them to the JPA Board. The most recent monthly reports from MSI have contained numerous inaccurate, or false statements and/or misleading statements regarding acceptance of the current master schedule, notices of constructive delays, lease agreements, zoning approvals, power, and agency cutovers. Their most recent report number 92 has followed the pattern of late submission and inaccurate content it is not being provided to the JPA Board as a result.

#### **Environmental Update**

- Jacobs continued full-time MMRP monitoring effort terminated by Motorola without notice in December 2020. Motorola has not improved their ability to forecast work, which directly impacts the MMRP effort. On a regular basis MSI will cancel work on short notice (less than the stipulated and mutually agreed notification period) resulting in monitors dispatched to sites with no activity. Motorola received formal correspondence from LA-RICS demanding that MSI discontinue late cancelations, no shows, and early dismissal of work so that site monitors are not wasting resources and so that work proceeds on a continual basis. An additional formal notification including a request for reimbursement is planned for transmission to Motorola in this reporting period.
- The Project Team has accomplished Worker Environmental Awareness Program (WEAP) training for 1,485 persons as of April 6, 2021.
- The Project Team has continued to support development of and review of MSI's coastal development permitting documents and pre-con plans and checklists for sites going into construction.
- One new NOD was filed for actions taken during the April Board meeting.

### **Permitting Support**

- DPW staff have been consistently engaged to provide just-in-time support for plan check activities, with a weekly dashboard being communicated between the Authority and DPW management. This system was stood up by the Authority to provide as much support as possible to a Motorola Team that has consistently struggled over the course of the Program with its Phase 1. Design responsibilities. The cooperation from LA County DPW plan reviewers particularly, has proven to reduce the drawing review cycle time overall between MSI and permitting authorities. There are only (3) sites remaining that must be permitted SPN, TOPRELAY, and SPH. SPH was submitted to plan check and is still under review by LA County DPW. SPN was submitted to plan check in this period. The Authority received notification that the MCI site, which is being considered for use as an alternate site to SPN, does qualify for exemption form the full coastal development permitting special use permit, but is still subject to submitting a coastal development plan for review and approval. Although MSI received coastal development permitting special use permit, but is still subject to submitting a coastal development plan for review and approval. Although MST received an RFQ for the MCI site, it has failed to provide the quotation within the allotted time established for the response. The Authority views the potential use of the existing MCI communications compound as a cost savings and potentially a time savings effort over the currently planned build-out of the SPN site, currently designed. In addition, to working through the necessary steps for permitting the remaining sites, the LA-RICS project team has discussed with Southern California Edison's assigned Project Manager, the use of unit numbers to assist in having meter addresses assigned with more ease. The team discovered that there is a chronic issue with jurisdictional meter releases being dismissed/ discarded by SCE, even if one character in the address provided by MSI is missing inadvertently. Given that, after much persuasion, MSI agreed to install upfront power on 9 of the remaining 12 sites, the meter addresses can now be issued earlier in the Ph.2 build-out and should therefore avoid the delay in power activations that we have experienced previously with MSI's previously practice of starting power work later in the build effort.
- The Decision Memo for the 13 LMR sites on the ANF was issued by the Angeles National Forest (ANF) on October 31st, 2019. All 12 of the sites in the ANF subject to an LA-RICS Special Use Permit (SUP) have been permitted by the USFS. Additionally, although MSI's delayed work at to Frost Peak (FRP) caused that work to run into the ski season, requiring MSI to halt work for the season, that season has now ended and is available for MSI's remobilization to the site on 4/19/2021. However, despite ample notification, MSI did not report for work on 4/19/2021 and has not provided a restart date for the site to date.

### Site/Civil

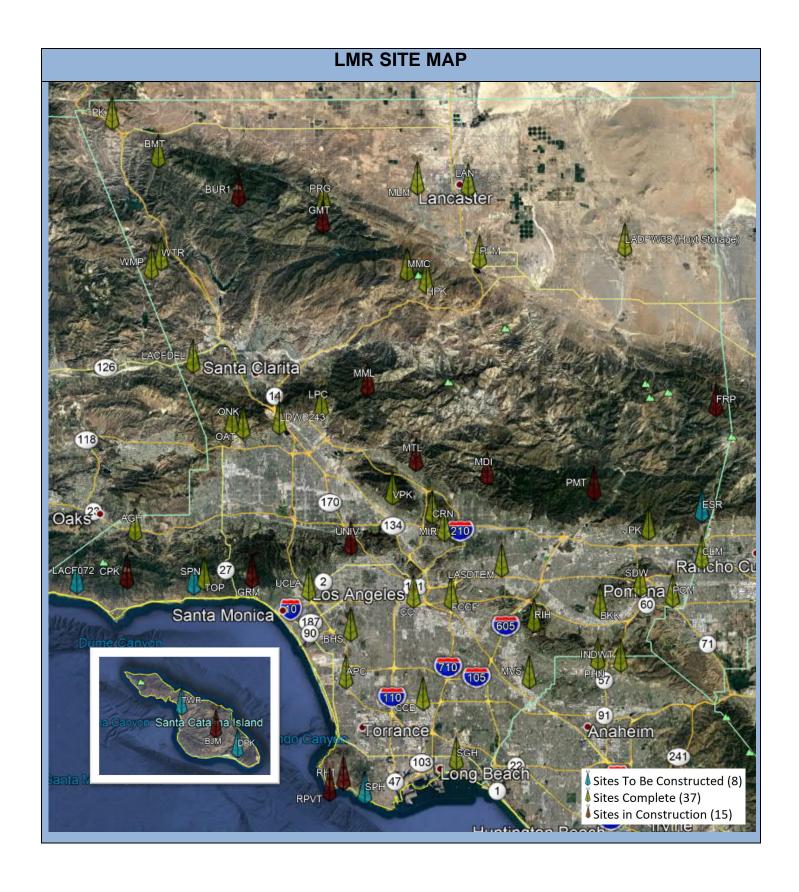
 On December 28th, 2020 Motorola made a unilateral decision (in violation of the Agreement) to refuse to perform work at twelve sites (12). The Motorola Project Director described the action as a "partial demobilization" although none of the twelve (12) sites had started construction, which confused what Motorola was attempting to communicate. After several meetings and additional correspondence and the issuance of a Notice of Default and Demand to Cure letter Motorola stated that they would continue to complete all sites which they had already began construction on and planned to complete all the work slated for completion under the UASI 18 spending plan. However, Motorola remains in default, and Motorola's bonding Company, Liberty Mutual, is evaluating this issue. Further, Motorola has indicated that the 12/1/2020 IMS, which had a system acceptance date of 8/31/2022, was no longer attainable without providing any explanation as to why. In addition, MSI has argued to the LA-RICS Project Team that the 12/1/2020DD IMS was never mutually agreed, nor was a WAC submitted for its' acceptance by the Authority. Thus, MSI concludes that the 12/1/2020 IMS was not agreed to, despite its submission to the Authority on 12/9/2020. Per MSI Monthly Report No. 91, MSI has stated that the accepted IMS is the document sent to the Authority on 9/6/2019 and accepted in December of 2019 after many exchanges with MSI, IMS data date 8/31/2019. However, despite its indication in Report No. 91 that the December 2019 IMS was accepted, MSI has also stated in numerous emails and letters that it is not contractually bound by any schedule, including the accepted schedule. This position ultimately caused the Authority to send MSI and second Notice of Default and Demand to Cure MSI's continuing failure to comply with the contract schedule requirements. The Integrated Master Schedule is defined as the roadmap document for the Program and defines the end date of the program which is why it is such a critical document and is the key to the timely completion of this project. At this time MSI has started work at several of the UASI 19 sites that it once claimed in the December 28th, 2020 letter it would not, but it is not yet evident that MSI has fully remobilized. Further, MSI has also requested that LA-RICS seriously consider and approve a scope reduction, although a proposal for such, identifying work MSI would propose to de-scope, has not been provided by MSI.

The LMR program continues to make some progress in Phases 1 through 4a for remaining sites although it is now very difficult to determine the time frame by which work should be completing daily, due to MSI's failure to acknowledge or perform under an accepted Integrated Master Schedule. In addition, MSI has recently sent "look-ahead" schedules, which lack necessary detailed information, and which lack any an anchor to the dates from an accepted schedule, which render such documents almost completely useless to the Authority. The work currently being performed is tightly associated with Ph.2 and Ph.4a completions at the UASI 18 sites. The Authority has met with MSI several times during the open grant period specifically to question MSI about its plans to complete the work and to discuss any obstacles the contractor was facing that it may need assistance from the Authority. However, none were identified by MSI. While these meetings were held to solidify the plans for timely completion of the grant work, MSI has failed to complete all of the UASI 18 planned work by the initial deadline. During this period MSI has stated that it will need an extension of the grant closure period to complete its work at several sites. Many of the issues requiring extension pertain to timely electrical utility activation, of which MSI is responsible for causing Southern California Edison's work to become a critical path activity. MSI did not sequence electrical work to take place as one of the first construction activities, despite the recommendations of the Authority's project team to do so. To compound the problem, SCE has had apparent difficulties in carrying out the completion of meter sets, stemming address discrepancies, as mentioned above. MSI has now belatedly agreed to install power as one of the first activities on the remaining sites so as not to repeat the same mistake that has caused/ contributed to significant delay. The Authority has communicated the UASI 18 extension request to CalOES and FEMA on several occasions and has been met with understanding, since the Authority's project team provides detailed reporting and explanation for the circumstances surrounding extension at each site. UASI 18 will add fourteen (14) LMR sites to the tally of fifty-eight (58) LMR sites. Regarding Phase 2 "Close-out Manuals," the Authority did receive the correct quantity of close out books required for the UASI 18 grant close-out period; however, the books contained significant errors and omissions and were all returned to MSI for correction and re-submittal. MSI's Program Director indicated on a 2/25/2021 call to discuss the grant close out, that 'MSI will do the best it can to complete the work and whatever doesn't get done, won't be done on time.' MSI has been informed that such a lackadaisical response is not acceptable. The MSI leadership appears to recognize the shortcoming but does not seem committed to rectifying the matter swiftly.

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Therefore, the Authority's project team initiated a new procedure required for MSI's submissions of future work acceptance certificates (WAC's). MSI must furnish evidence that the close-out materials/ books are being assembled before payment is issued. The Authority's project team feels that this additional step in the process will encourage MSI to be more prepared for close-out of UASI 19 sites and reduce the risk of an extension in UASI 19 due to incomplete close-out submissions.

- There have been several exchanges between MSI and LA-RICS in this period to address constructive change notices. The frequency of MSI-issued constructive change notices has increased in general but MSI has not followed the required time frames in the Agreement for the submission of these notices and any related change order requests, which has been a source of dispute between the parties. MSI continues to struggle to meet many of the basic requirements of the Agreement, specifically with regards to change management and timely notification. The Authority has repeatedly notified MSI in formal correspondence of the need to provide change notifications that meet the minimum standards defined in the Agreement Section 2.3.9. as well as to adhere to other basic conditions of the agreement, such as the requirement for continual work, mark-up percentages adherence, and timeliness of submissions. The Authority remains concerned that the distribution of Ph.2 work is not being spread over a large enough pool of contractors to perform the work, since the Authority's field observers have noted that 3<sup>rd</sup> tier contractors seemed stretched thin/ undermanned while trying to service the multiple sites. The Authority has also expressed concern to MSI that the PNS subcontracts may not include the schedule as an exhibit/ required performance matrix for their contract, which may be the source of many Ph.2 issues. MSI was asked to provide copies of the subcontracts and agreed to provide them verbally in the executive staff meeting but still has not done so, and MSI has failed to provide any evidence that it is holding its contractors and subcontractors to any performance schedule. MSI was formally notified to provide labor loaded schedules in accordance with the provisions in the Agreement for "Recovery Schedule." MSI committed to providing labor loaded schedules for (3) sites FRP, TWR and DPK on 3/25/2021 but still has not done so. In this period MSI also further changed its position on its schedule obligations. To paraphrase MSI, 'Motorola is not obligated to the requirements of a recovery schedule, since there was never an accepted schedule.' In addition, MSI's Program Director has now plainly stated that MSI will not disclose any labor loading information nor assurance of planned labor to the Authority. Rather than managing their contractor and subcontractors, MSI has instead allowed their sub-contractor Pyramid Network Services (PNS) to make all contracting decisions, and MSI stated in March that they are pleased with the performance of PNS. This is despite serious issues with quality control (building per plan) and excessive tardiness on all sites. As stated above, while MSI appears to have started preliminary work at several of the UASI 19 sites that it once claimed in the December 28th, 2020 letter it would not (such as BUR1, PMT, RPVT, UNIV, GRM, BJM, and MTL2. UASI 18 MDI, MML, WMP, WTR, and CPK), it is not yet evident that MSI has fully remobilized. For example, at GRM MSI demobilized its subcontractors alleging that MSI would not work at the site until the contract was amended for a change order they felt entitled to but was not yet resolved. site has been vacant for over two weeks as a result. MSI has optimized twenty-seven (27) sites out of the thirty-two (37) available to optimize and now appears to be making good progress in that segment of work scope.
- All site access agreements (SAA's) are completed and have been transmitted to MSI. As an overarching point worth noting is that lease agreements (SAA's) for the LMR Program have all been secured in advance of the date needed for MSI to access the sites for construction i.e. before MSI obtained a building permit for the site and was ready to perform the work. The only exception was that ESR, which was identified as a "partial demobilization" site in MSI's 12/28/2020 letter caused the Authority to hold the notice to proceed (NTP) to purchase the Ph. 3 equipment for that site to avoid a non-grant reimbursable waste if the equipment was not used because the site was not built. Once MSI promised to build the site, the Ph.3 NTP was issued.
- Fifty-eight (58) building permit applications have been made to date (AGH, APC, BHS, BJM, BKK, BMT, BUR1, CCB, CCT, CITYWLK, CLM, CPK, CRN, DPK, DPW38, ESR, FCCF, FRP, GMT, GRM, HPK, INDWT, JPK2, LACF072, LACFDEL, LAN, LARICSHQ, LASDTEM, LDWP243, LPC, MDI, MLM, MMC, MML, MIR, MTL2, MVS, OAT, ONK, PHN, PLM, PMT, POM, PRG, RIH, RHT, RPVT, SDW, SGH, SPH, TOPex, TPK, TWR, UCLA, UNIV, VPK, WMP, WTR) and fifty seven (57) of the sixty (60) sites have permits issued to date. MSI has elected to split permits at several project sites in the program for various reasons. An example of splitting the Ph. 2 scope into multiple permits is at RHT, where there is a "civil work" building permit issued, but the antenna support structure scope is an entirely separate permit, and the electrical distribution scope is also a separate permit. The two sites remaining to enter the Building Permit process are SPN, and TOPRELAY and are all expected to enter the permit process before the end of April 2021. LA-RICS and Motorola confirmed in this period that DPK, and PMT "Solar" portion of work requiring field listing from United Listing (UL) were permitted for construction. In the month of April 2021, Motorola and the Authority acknowledge that thirty-seven (37) sites have normal power on.
- Frequency usage and narrow-banding remain focal items for the LMR Program and has been tracked as making positive progress throughout the month of April. Los Angeles County Sheriff and ISD work to complete narrow-banding. MSI and the Authority meet regularly to discuss the progress. Outreach to Signal Hill PD and Covina PD has been conducted, over half of Signal Hill PD's vehicles have been reprogrammed to operate on LA-RICS. Potential new requirements for Covina are being vetted to ensure seamless operation on LA-RICS LMR System. System interference on Ch. 16 is still being investigated by the Sheriff's Department and ISD along with the technical liaisons from LA-RICS. The coordination between LASD and LA-RICS is critical to ensure that frequencies are available for testing and operating the Analog Conventional System (ACVRS) particularly. MSI identified in Monthly Report No. 85 that the cut-over durations have been a primary area of focus in the schedule. The Authority and MSI came to an agreement on the cut-over activity duration in the December 1, 2020 data date IMS. However, as mentioned previously in this report, MSI does not recognize the 12/1/2020DD IMS as "accepted." In January MSI submitted an update with a 1/12/2021 data date "information only" that had a program system acceptance date of December 28th, 2022. In February MSI submitted The IMS with Data Date 2/9/2021 "for approval" its finish date is February 2nd, 2023. Similarly, in March MSI submitted an IMS as "information only" with the same finish date in February of 2023 and it too was rejected by the Authority. In this reporting period the MSI Program Director stated that he was no longer certain that MSI could complete the work by February 2023, but did not explain why, nor what new date the work could be completed. Often important matters such as System Acceptance, which gravely impact budgets and operational use of the network, are minimized in importance, or treated casually by MSI. Since it has become apparent that MSI has chosen to ignore contract requirements, a notice of default regarding scheduling was sent to MSI and Liberty Mutual its' performance bonding agency. Further, despite repeated requests, the MSI Team has not re-approached the Authority with any additional suggestions to reduce the Program time other than some vague statements that scope should be reduced, without MSI identifying what scope they were referring to or presenting a plan for such reductions.
- The LMR Site Map shows the status of sites as of April 2021 with the six of the seven sites listed above still in blue as they have not actually broken ground yet.





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SCOTT EDSON EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

May 6, 2021

To: LA-RICS Authority Board of Directors

From: Scott Edson Executive Director

### **PSBN ROUND 2 IMPLEMENTATION AND CONSTRUCTION UPDATE**

The purpose of this discussion item is to provide an update on the Public Safety Broadband Network (PSBN) Round 2 deployment.

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### LA-RICS PSBN SITE DEPLOYMENT Week of 04/26/2021

Site ID	Туре	GC	Power	City Planning	MISC Permit HDP /CP	Building Permit Rec'd	SAA Exec	Site Construction Start	Tower Delivered	Tower Construction Complete	Lines & Antennas Complete	Equipment Installation Complete	Site Construction Finish	Close Out	Comments
MML2	Colo	MSI	Complete	NA	NA	5/21/2020	Complete	7/31/2020	NA	11/20/2020	11/27/2020	11/30/2020	11/30/2020		Substantially Complete. AT&T conducted Punch Walk Occured 4/16/2021, Rcvd Punch List items 4/23/2021, under review.
MNTBLPD	Pole	Diversifie	Complete	NA	NA	9/11/2020	Complete	9/28/2020	8/21/2020	10/16/2020	11/27/2020	11/30/2020	11/30/2020		Substantially Complete. AT&T Punch Accepted. Confirming close out documentaton complete week of 4/26/2021.
POLA1	Best	Jitney	Complete	7/30/2020	CP = Approved HEP = Approved	7/31/2020	Complete	8/10/2020	8/29/2020	8/29/2020	2/5/2021	10/6/2020	3/5/2021		Substantially Complete. LA-RICS GC to complete AT&T on Punch Corrections week of 4/19/2021. LADWP Construction Forecast 8-10 Weeks.
POLA2	Best	Jitney	Fenix	7/30/2020	CP = Approved HEP = Approved	7/31/2020	Complete	8/10/2020	8/29/2020	8/29/2020	10/6/2020	10/6/2020	4/19/2021		Substantially Complete. LA-RICS GC completed AT&T Punch Corrections 4/23/2021. Passed City Inspection 4/21 - Forecast Power Up week of 4/26/2021.
POLB1	Pole	Motive	Submeter - Design	8/20/2020	Complete	9/18/2020	Pending - See Comments	Pending - See Comments	Pending - See Comments	Pending - See Comments	Pending - See Comments	Pending - See Comments	Pending - See Comments	Pending - See Comments	CX awaiting AT&T Lease negotation approved.
POM2	Roof	Motive	Complete	NA	NA	12/23/2020	Complete	2/1/2021	NA	NA	3/12/2021	5/10/2021	5/24/2021	5/31/2021	JCC approved pad changes and scheduled construction re-start 4/26/2021.

Legend				
Completed				
Forecasted - Sch				
	Delayed Timeline			

Tower Type	Qty
Colo	1
Pine	4
Roof	1



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FREQUENCY AND LICENSING ISSUES IMPACTING LAND MOBILE RADIO DEPLOYMENT

The purpose of this discussion item is to update your Board on the frequency interference as well as frequency licensing issues impacting the Land Mobile Radio System deployment.

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**Executive Director** 

### UPDATE ON COASTAL COMMISSION SITES IN THE LAND MOBILE RADIO SYSTEM

The purpose of this discussion item series is to provide an update on the Coastal Commission sites in the Land Mobile Radio (LMR) System.

- Topanga (TOP): Phase 2 and Phase 4 work is complete, pending completion of adjacent sites in order to carry traffic.
- Castro Peak (CPK): Phase 2 work continues, complicated by power design and drilling issues which are both now resolved. Phase 4 is in the early stages of equipment install.
- Saddle Peak (SPN): Coastal Development Permit (CDP) issued on April 12, 2021.
   Pending Motorola Solutions Inc., (MSI) for submittal to DPW for Building Permit (BP) review.
- Fire Station 72: CDP issued on April 12, 2021, building permit issued on April 23, 2021, pending MSI for their construction schedule so that construction outreach can be conducted now that all permitting is in place.
- Catalina
  - Black Jack Mountain (BJM): Work inside the shelter continues, once complete this site will go dormant through the end of June due to fox pupping season which prohibits ground disturbing activities.
  - All three (3) sites on Catalina, BJM, Dakin Peak (DPK) and Tower Peak (TWR) are expected to commence full construction in early July and the teams continue to hash out details and logistics associated with that anticipated mobilization.
- Topanga (TOP-RELAY): Full CDP application package is in development and will be submitted to Department of Regional Planning (DRP) shortly. Once deemed complete, the public hearing process will commence.
- Communications Corp (MCI): Pending MSI for a response to the Request for Questionnaire (RFQ) issued on March 29, 2021. This site is being evaluated for feasibility as an alternate to SPN.



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From: Scott Edson

**Executive Director** 

### **OUTREACH UPDATE**

The purpose of this discussion item is to update your Board on the status of outreach activities pertaining to the LA-RICS Public Safety Broadband Network (PSBN) and Land Mobile Radio (LMR) project. The below meetings occurred since our last report to you:

Municipality	Meeting Date
Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) Interoperability Drill Planning	March 2 & 26, 2021
Inglewood Police Department Planning for Super Bowl 2022	March 9, 2021
Rancho Palos Verdes Golf Course Community Outreach	March 15
UCLA Code Plug Planning Follow Up	March 16
First Responder Resource Group (FRRG)	March 31, 2021
Zebra (Introduction and DEMO)	April 6 & 7, 2021
2021 FirstNet Superuser Group – Monthly Meeting	April 20, 2021
IACP Communications and Technology Committee – Monthly Meeting	April 21, 2021
LA County / LA-RICS Spectrum Management Meeting	April 23, 2021
CRIS-LARICS Connectivity Discussion Kickoff Meeting	April 29, 2021

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Meetings continued in the month of March with AT&T to discuss ongoing Technical and Program Management concerns, Transfer Transition logistics, Checkpoint Calls, Assignment and Assumption Agreements and Amendments, and Network Coverage Review.

The U.S. Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) has reached out to the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and the Inglewood Police Department to assist with planning for the 2022 Super Bowl at the SoFi Stadium. LA-RICS will be used to facilitate public safety communications for this event.

LA-RICS posted construction start flyers to residents near the Rancho Palos Verdes Golf Course Community.

LA-RICS radio experts met with representatives from the UCLA Police Department to plan for the installation of new radio code plugs in preparation for migration to LA-RICS.

Lastly, there are association and public safety interest group meetings that were attended listed above.

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SCOTT EDSON
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

May 6, 2021

LA-RICS Board of Directors
Los Angeles Regional Interoperable Communications System Authority (the "Authority")

**Dear Directors:** 

REQUEST TO ADD TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DELEGATED AUTHORITY
REGARDING AGREEMENT NO. LA-RICS 007 FOR
LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM
LAND MOBILE RADIO SYSTEM

### **SUBJECT**

Board approval is requested to add to the Executive Director's delegated authority, to issue unilateral amendments up to a not-to-exceed amount of \$210,000 for changes in work, in connection with Agreement No. LA-RICS 007 for a Land Mobile Radio (LMR) System.

### **RECOMMENDED ACTIONS**

It is recommended that your Board delegate authority to the Executive Director to issue unilateral amendments to the LMR Agreement, as may be necessary, up to the not-to-exceed amount of \$210,000 per Amendment for changes in work, provided such unilateral amendments are approved as to form by Counsel to the Authority.

### **BACKGROUND**

On August 15, 2013, your Board approved Agreement No. LA-RICS 007 for the LMR System. The approval contemplated delegated authority to the Executive Director to, among other things, approve and process amendments for changes in work, up to a maximum amount of \$210,000 per amendment for changes in work. These amendments are mutually agreed to by the Authority's LMR System contractor, Motorola Solutions, Inc. (MSI) and the Authority's staff and Executive Director. Unilateral amendments, however, do not have to be mutually agreed to by MSI, and are used in the instances set forth in Section 2.3.6 (Unilateral Amendment) of the LMR Agreement where MSI fails to timely submit pricing, fails to sign an amendment, or the Authority deems it appropriate to execute a unilateral amendment.

### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

Approval of the recommended action will authorize the Executive Director to issue unilateral amendments to the Authority's LMR System contractor, MSI. Broadening the Executive Director's delegated authority will allow the Authority to process unilateral amendments in an expeditious manner up to \$210,000 in instances when MSI fails to timely submit pricing, fails to sign an amendment, or the Authority deems it appropriate to execute a unilateral amendment. Currently, the LMR Agreement permits the Authority Board or its authorized representatives, pursuant to Section 2.3.6 (Unilateral Amendment) of the LMR Agreement, to issue unilateral amendments in these instances. Approval of the recommended action will allow the Executive Director to have delegated authority to serve as the Board's authorized representative to issue these unilateral amendments up to \$210,000. Approval of the recommended action will also assist the Authority by mitigating potential delays and making headway on construction completion.

Any unilateral amendments, if executed, will be approved as to form by Counsel to the Authority and will not exceed the current \$210,000 already delegated to the Executive Director for mutually agreed to amendments.

### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

At present there is no fiscal impact. Any unilateral amendments, if executed, will not exceed \$210,000 per amendment. Moreover, if any unilateral amendments are necessary they will only be executed if there is funding allocated in the LA-RICS Adopted Operating Budget.

### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENT

The Authority's Counsel has reviewed the recommended actions and approved as to form.

### **CONCLUSION**

Upon the Board's approval of the recommended action, the Executive Director will have delegated authority to proceed in a manner described in the recommended action.

Respectfully submitted,

SCOTT EDSON

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** 

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SCOTT EDSON EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

May 6, 2021

Board of Directors Los Angeles Regional Interoperable Communications System Authority (the "Authority")

**Dear Directors:** 

## APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 4 TO THE BUSINESS AGREEMENT WITH AT&T CORP.

### <u>SUBJECT</u>

Board approval is requested to authorize the Executive Director to execute Amendment No. 4 to the Business Agreement with AT&T Corp., on behalf of itself and its affiliates (AT&T), to allow the Authority to receive the remaining \$6 million payment from AT&T in two (2) separate \$3 million payments in connection with the Asset Transfer Agreement for Public Safety Broadband Network (PSBN) Round 2 sites.

### RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that your Board:

- Delegate authority to the Executive Director to execute Amendment No. 4 to the Business Agreement, in substantially similar form to Enclosure 1 (Amendment No. 4), between the Authority and AT&T to allow the Authority to receive two (2) payments of \$3 million each in connection with the Asset Transfer Agreement for PSBN Round 2 sites.
- 2. Delegate Authority to the Executive Director to approve and execute amendments to the Business Agreement, as may be necessary, provided that any such amendments are approved as to form by Counsel to the Authority.

### **BACKGROUND**

On December 14, 2017, your Board authorized the Authority to enter into an Asset Transfer Agreement with AT&T to transfer and assign its 20% right, title, and interest in the initial BTOP grant funded build-out of the LA-RICS PSBN (Round 1) for inclusion into the NPSBN, subject to federal grantor approval. The Asset Transfer Agreement also provided that LA-RICS would similarly transfer and assign its interests for any LA-RICS PSBN sites built as part of Round 2 of the PSBN.

In connection with the Asset Transfer Agreement, on December 14, 2017, your Board also approved a Business Agreement with AT&T to accept \$12 million, up to 3,300 replacement routers, SIMS, and devices of the Authority's choosing, and \$2.5 million in services to pay for replacement services and installation costs. Of the \$12 million, AT&T has already paid \$6 million in 2018 as required by the terms of the Business Agreement. The remaining \$6 million would be paid following completion of the Round 2 PSBN sites and federal grantor approval of the Round 2 PSBN assets.

On June 28, 2018, your Board approved Amendment No. 1 to the Business Agreement to allow the Authority to accept 1,000 additional routers, SIMS, and devices of the Authority's choosing from 3,300 to 4,300. Additionally, your Board delegated Authority to the Executive Director to execute additional amendments to the Business Agreement to accept additional devices that may be needed by the Authority and its members with an estimated not-to-exceed collective value of \$800,000. In connection with this delegated authority, Amendment No. 2 to the Business Agreement was approved for the acceptance of 400 additional routers valued at \$643,200.

On July 9, 2020, your Board approved Amendment No. 3 to the Business Agreement to, among other things, allow the Authority to receive from AT&T an additional \$2,323,292 in funding for the completion of PSBN sites 21-26.

### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to delegate authority to execute Amendment No. 4 to the Business Agreement to allow the Authority to receive the remaining balance corresponding to the Asset Transfer Agreement for PSBN Round 2 sites in two (2) \$3 million payments.

When the Authority entered into the Asset Transfer Agreement and corresponding Business Agreement with AT&T, it contemplated a total payment of \$12 million to the Authority. The structure of the \$12 million payment was a \$6 million payment at the onset, which the Authority received in 2018, with the remaining \$6 million to be paid following the completion of PSBN Round 2 sites and federal grantor approval of the PSBN Round 2 asset transfer. With completion of the PSBN Round 2 sites and federal grantor approval

of the asset transfer agreement, the transfer process is underway. While AT&T and the Authority continue to work through site acceptance logistics and the inventory confirmation and transfer of stored equipment, the parties have agreed to split the \$6 million to allow for an initial payment upon your Board's approval and a second payment no later than May 31, 2021. These changes are reflected in Amendment No. 4 for your Board's consideration.

### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The recommended actions will allow the Authority to receive from AT&T two (2) \$3 million payments for a total payment of \$6 million in connection with the Asset Transfer Agreement of the PSBN Round 2 sites.

### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENT

Counsel to the Authority has reviewed Amendment No. 4 to the Business Agreement and the associated recommended actions and approved as to form.

### **CONCLUSION**

Approval of the recommended actions will allow the Authority execute Amendment No. 4 to the Business Agreement, substantially similar in form to the Enclosure 1.

Respectfully submitted,

SCOTT EDSON

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** 

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**Enclosure** 

cc: Counsel to the Authority

## AMENDMENT NO. 4 TO THE BUSINESS AGREEMENT BETWEEN LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AUTHORITY AND AT&T CORP.

### **RECITALS**

THIS AMENDMENT NO. 4 TO THE BUSINESS AGREEMENT BETWEEN LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AUTHORITY AND AT&T CORP. ("Amendment No. 4") is made and entered into this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2021 ("Effective Date of Amendment No. 4") by and between the Los Angeles Regional Interoperable Communications System Authority ("LA-RICS Authority"), a California joint power's authority, and AT&T Corp., on behalf of itself and its Affiliates ("AT&T"), (individually, a "Party," and collectively, the "Parties").

WHEREAS, the Parties have entered into an ASSET TRANSFER AGREEMENT BETWEEN LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AUTHORITY AND AT&T CORP. FOR THE LA-RICS PUBLIC SAFETY BROADBAND NETWORK with an effective date of December 15, 2017, as may have been amended ("Asset Transfer Agreement").

WHEREAS, AT&T and the LA-RICS Authority entered into a Business Agreement Between the Authority and AT&T Corp. ("Initial Agreement") with an effective date of December 15, 2017, to memorialize the business agreement between the Parties, including for AT&T to provide the LA-RICS Authority with monies, services and user equipment.

WHEREAS, the Initial Agreement was previously amended by Amendment No. 1 to the Business Agreement Between AT&T Corp. and Los Angeles Regional Interoperable Communications System Authority effective June 28, 2018 ("**Amendment No. 1**"), to alter the quantity of user equipment being provided by AT&T, more specifically to increase the quantity of routers from 3,300 to 4,300.

WHEREAS, the Initial Agreement was previously amended by Amendment No. 2 to the Business Agreement Between AT&T Corp. and Los Angeles Regional Interoperable Communications System Authority effective July 7, 2020 ("Amendment No. 2"), to modify the Initial Agreement as amended by Amendment No. 1 to account for an additional 400 routers, increasing the quantity of routers being provided by AT&T from 4,300 to 4,700.

WHEREAS, the Initial Agreement was previously amendment by Amendment No. 3 to Business Agreement Between AT&T Corp. and Los Angeles Regional Interoperable Communications System Authority effective July 9, 2020 ("Amendment No. 3") to further modify the Agreement to memorialize the transfer and assignment to AT&T of the remaining Six (6) Round 2 PSBN Sites in various stages of completion, and to memorialize the Parties arrangement for AT&T to complete the construction of the remaining Six (6) Round 2 PSBN Sites, and for the funding thereof.

WHEREAS, the LA-RICS Authority and AT&T desire to further modify the Agreement to memorialize the bifurcation of the \$6,000,000 Holdback Amount into two (2) separate

payments of \$3,000,000 to be paid to the LA-RICS Authority as further described in Section 2 to this Amendment No. 4.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing Recitals, the mutual promises hereinafter set forth, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree to modify the Agreement as follows:

- 1. LA-RICS Authority and AT&T agree that the Recitals set forth above in this Amendment No. 4 are incorporated herein as if set forth herein in their entirety.
- 2. Section 3.A of the Agreement is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:
  - "A. AT&T will provide payment to LA-RICS Authority as follows:

On the Closing Date, AT&T will (i) transfer by wire or electronic bank transfer to the LA-RICS Authority an amount equal to Six Million Dollars (\$6,000,000) (the "LA-RICS Payment") to an account designated by the Los Angeles County Auditor/Controller, the fiscal agent for the LA-RICS Authority and (ii) retain an amount equal to Six Million Dollars (\$6,000,000) (the "Holdback Amount") to be held by AT&T in accordance with the requirements of this Section 3.A. Following receipt of the written approval from NTIA and the NOAA Grants Office as provided for in Section 9.A.i of the Asset Transfer Agreement, the Los Angeles County Auditor/Controller will provide AT&T with the bank and account information, and routing instructions for the LA-RICS Authority.

Within five (5) business days of May 6, 2021, and following receipt of the bank and account information, and routing instructions from the Los Angeles County Auditor/Controller, AT&T will then transfer by wire or electronic bank transfer to the LA-RICS Authority half of the Holdback Amount in the amount of Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000) to an account designated by the Los Angeles County Auditor/Controller. The May 6, 2021 payment is for the following ten (10) sites accepted by AT&T:

- 1. Azusa Canyon (AZUCYN)
- Inglewood Police Department (IGPD)
- 3. Irwindale Police Department (IRWDPD)
- 4. Los Angeles County Fire Department Del Valle 2 (LACFDEL2)
- 5. Monte Vista Star Center 2 (MVS2)
- 6. Southern California Edison Merced 2 (SCEMERC2)
- 7. Southern California Edison Nola (SCENOLA)
- 8. Southern California Edison Palmdale (SCEPLM)

- 9. Thomsen Communication Site (THOMSEN)
- 10. UCLA Factor Building 2 (UCLA2)

With respect to the payment of the remaining portion of the Holdback Amount, by no later than May 31, 2021, AT&T will transfer by wire or electronic bank transfer to the LA-RICS Authority the remaining portion of the Holdback Amount in the amount of Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000) to an account designated by the Los Angeles County Auditor/Controller. The May 31, 2021 payment will be for the following ten (10) sites to be accepted by AT&T:

- 1. Claremont Police Department (CLRMPD1)
- 2. Cougar Park (COUG)
- 3. Cerra Negro 2 (CRN2)
- 4. Loop Canyon 2 (LPC2)
- 5. Portal Ridge 2 (PRG2)
- 6. Southern California Edison Dunlap (SCEDUN)
- 7. Southern California Edison Gallatin (SCEGAL)
- 8. Southern California Edison Studebaker 2 (SCESTUD2)
- 9. Whittiker Middle Peak 2 (WMP2)
- 10. Whittiker Ridge 2 (WTR2)

Subject to being fully constructed as required in Amendment No. 3, the Holdback Amount payments are for (1) the satisfactory completion of construction, as required in Amendment No. 3, of Twenty (20) of the Twenty-Six (26) Round 2 PSBN Sites identified in Exhibit B (Twenty (20) Completed Round 2 PSBN Sites) for inclusion as part of the NPSBN, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, (2) the transfer to AT&T of all equipment procured by LA-RICS Authority pursuant to the approved funding from NTIA and the NOAA Grants Office required for the construction of the remaining Six (6) Round 2 PSBN Sites as contemplated in the Asset Transfer Agreement, (3) any required lease or site access agreements giving AT&T the right of access for the permitted uses contemplated in the Asset Transfer Agreement, and entitlements, land use approvals, and permits, and (4) to the extent performed, if any, any partial construction completed for the remaining Six (6) Round 2 PSBN Sites in their various stages of completion."

3. Except as otherwise provided herein, all other terms and conditions of the Agreement not expressly modified herein shall remain in full force and effect.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each Party hereto has caused this Amendment No. 4 to be executed by its duly authorized representative.

LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM

AUTHORITY	
	By: Scott Edson, Executive Director
	Dated:
APPROVED AS TO FORM: MARY C. WICKHAM, County Counsel	
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AT&T CORP.	
	By:
	Name:
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	Dated: