



**INTERAGENCY COMMUNICATIONS
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**MEETING OF THE GOVERNANCE BOARD
GLENDALE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
613 E. BROADWAY, GLENDALE, CA 91206**

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October 2, 2014

1. BUSINESS AGENDA – 1:00 pm

The meeting was called to order by Chair Goldman at 1:00 pm

a. Roll Call

Beverly Hills – Erick Lee

Burbank – Lianne McGinley

Com-Net JPA – David Falkner

Glendale – Theresa Goldman

Culver City – Dave White

Montebello – Herbert Dominic

Pasadena – Kevin Costa

Pomona – Michael Ellis

b. Report of Staff, re: Posting of Agenda. The Agenda for the October 2, 2014 Governance Board Meeting was posted on September 29, 2014, on the ICIS Web Site and the Bulletin Board outside Glendale City Hall.

2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Discussion is limited to items NOT a part of this agenda. Each speaker is allowed five minutes. Members may question or respond to the speaker but there will be no debate or decision.

No Speakers

3. REPORTS - INFORMATION

a. Reports Regarding Changes in Project Status from Previous Month

Beverly Hills – No report

Burbank – Jim Floyd reported that it is the second month of MCC dispatch console and second week of P-25 installs. There are two technical issues which are being addressed before users can be added on.

Com-Net JPA – No report

Glendale – No report

Culver City – No report

Montebello – No report

Pasadena – No report

Pomona – No report

b. Report from Technical Committee

Ray Edey reported that the Technical Committee met on September 11 and had a full agenda. Attendance is always high among the members, in addition to interested parties –

other cities, vendors, technical representatives. It is a very successful and active committee.

Action items:

The Committee discussed subscriber interests and the P-25 migration needs of members. They are collecting data from 16 agencies, subscribers, and interested parties. The committee is putting a list together and hopes to provide the information at next meeting to discuss costs. In regards to the 7.13 – 7.14 migration, ICIS is waiting for final costing from Motorola. All the member cities have budgeted for the upgrade based on Motorola's quote last FY. Com-Net JPA was not in the original discussions, but has sufficient funding to move forward. 2014 SHSGP funding has been approved for \$380,000 for Master Site upgrades.

The Technical Committee will be putting together a list of shovel ready projects so if residual grant dollars surface the projects are already prioritized.

The first line of the Glendale cell out to Pomona is completed. The RAD MUX upgrades are close to completion to mitigate the failures. Motorola is in parallel is working on a solution that is RAD MUX free which they will present at next Technical Committee meeting. RAD MUX brings the signals together; ICIS wants the microwave to plug in directly, instead of using translation converters. The 7.13 / 7.14 upgrades will not include RAD MUX, as this was used with the old trunking system. As ICIS transitions to a purely P-25 system, RAD MUX's translatory system will not be required. This is where the data collisions are occurring.

c. Report from Legislative Committee

Lianne provided a Legislative Committee updated, stating the appropriations bill is moving through Congress to continue resolution through December 11. This is a 'lame duck session' until the new elected members come in. ICIS does not have any interoperability legislation with the Governor. She also updated the Board that the Legislative Committee also has great participation from their members. At their August and July meetings the committee discussed LA RICS, the meeting between Ray Edey and Senator Liu's District Director, the Federal Lobbyist provided an update, and they discussed the annual strategic planning session on December 4.

Edey thanked Lianne for setting up the meeting with Senator Liu's District Director Talin. Senator Liu's office is very familiar with ICIS. Lianne has discussed the 23 Police & Fire departments on the ICIS system and what Senator Liu's office could do for ICIS on the state level. Senator Liu would like ICIS to re-approach the state for assistance. Once there is a clear picture of opt in and opt out status with LA RICS, ICIS will go to Sacramento. On the trip, ICIS can seek out OES grant funding and meet with key legislative individuals. There is also a new leadership in Los Angeles, with tremendous amount of outreach to independent cities. ICIS will be reaching out to Mayor Garcetti to ensure he is familiar with ICIS. In 2011, ICIS cities issued letter to Villaraigosa, asking for transparency in the UASI process and that ICIS be considered. 11 months later, ICIS received a letter from the deputy mayor stating ICIS had no standing.

Chair Goldman asked that it also be conveyed to Mayor Garcetti and Senator Liu that ICIS would like a partnership with LA RICS.

d. Report from Operations Committee

Don Wise stated there was no report for the Operations Committee since June. The committee is struggling with having a quorum. Chair Goldman stated Operations should be a driving force for ICIS. Don stated it would be easier if their members were individuals who worked 40 hour schedules, instead of those working on shifts. The Committee also needs a representative from the Com-Net JPA. Ray stated he attended the JPA's meeting and informed them of this. The Com-Net JPA is currently creating their own committees and will then assign an individual for the Operations Committee.

e. Report Regarding LA RICS

Ray reported that the last two finance committee meetings had been cancelled. LA RICS has provided a one year extension to opt out. The LTE build out is the only thing on the agenda, with no LMR issues.

LTE funding from broadband is on track to use the \$150 M broadband grant.

West Covina has opted out. Burbank opted out as well. The question continues why it has not been separated into two systems. If it is operated by First Net, which must be open to public safety, cities would not need to be a part of LA RICS for LTE.

f. Report on status of Homeland Security Grants

Ray reported that ICIS just received approval of the 2014 Homeland Security Program for \$2.8M. \$2M will be for repeater sites, \$380,000 for the 7.14 upgrade of the Glendale site, and there is additional funding for the Santa Monica ICIS Site.

ICIS should be able to complete the 7.14 conversion by first quarter of 2015. 2014 UASI award remains pending for \$5M, \$2M for Montebello and \$3M to build out Santa Monica site for ICIS. Ray thanked LA Fire & LA Police for their support. LA RICS received \$500,000 in SHSGP while ICIS received \$2.8M because the LACPCA directed all their funding to ICIS and LASD did not choose to fund LARICS.

g. Report on LACPCA Meeting on ICIS

Last Wednesday Chief Cooper from Claremont invited ICIS to speak to LA County Police Chiefs Association. He is championing the cause for cities on communication solutions. He invited all chiefs interested in ICIS and 21 cities attended. Executive Director Edey explained the system, sites, and subscribers. When asked how many cities were serious about an ICIS solution, 20 of the viable cities indicated interest. Steve Paige of Pasadena, Rick Young of Com-Net and Ron Derderian of Beverly Hills will conduct feasibility study. Steve will act as the point person. The chiefs were told that ICIS would have more information within 90 days. The chiefs would like to see solutions in southwest and southeast LA County. The Technical Committee will come back with recommendations for the Board. There were also many Fire agencies interested. This is a formidable challenge and ICIS will need more funding.

Chair Goldman stated it will be a challenge for Technical Committee to find the right partners but this is the first big step in helping cities find interoperability. She was contacted by seven of the cities after the meeting - fire administrators, police administrators, city managers – all of whom were very serious. ICIS will need to move forward strategically to put the money in the right places.

The push from LA RICS to opt in or opt out is putting pressure on city councils who are being asked to put sites up in their cities without compensation. The decisions are going

to be made quickly, especially for cities with independent police departments. Of the 88 cities, 35 have their own police departments and 31 have their own fire departments.

4. CONSENT ITEMS

a. Approval of the Minutes for the August 7, 2014 Meeting
Motion made by Beverly Hills, second by Montebello

Beverly Hills – aye
Burbank – aye
Com-Net JPA – aye
Glendale – aye
Culver City – aye
Montebello – aye
Pasadena – aye
Pomona – aye

All in favor

5. ACTION ITEMS

a. Acceptance of Audit Report for Fiscal Years 2011 and 2013
This item was placed on last month's agenda as a discussion item, when it should have been an action item. The report remains the same.

1. Motion to Accept and File Audit Report of McGladrey LLC
Motion made by Montebello, second by Pomona

Beverly Hills – aye
Burbank – aye
Com-Net JPA – aye
Glendale – aye
Culver City – aye
Montebello – aye
Pasadena – aye
Pomona – aye

All in favor

6. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Beverly Hills – Erick Lee reported he attended the first of many meetings for the California Broadband Network. This group will model how the process will proceed throughout the state with First Net. LTE is still a long way out for first responders. Erick also spoke with Pat on what he thinks LA RICS's advantages are to First Net. Pat said LA RICS will be first and better.

Ray Edey stated he also attended the public safety workshop in Diamond Bar. Some items of interest included the First Net legislation and T-Band auction. Because First Net was guaranteed \$7 billion in funding, and the sale of Spectrum 700 – 800 totaled \$8.5 billion, the funding is already covered. When broadband was first pushed through, it was believed there was an imminent solution, but now it appears to be 10 years away. It does not make sense to migrate away from T-Band as a temporary solution to have to do it

again in a few years for broadband. They do not yet know the costs to support or subscribe to First Net.

Burbank – No comment

Com-Net JPA – West Covina was last city to receive mobile solutions for their cars.

Com-Net had been waiting to secure the \$150,000. No additional subscriber reports.

Glendale – No comment

Culver City – No comment

Montebello – No comment

Pasadena – No comment

Pomona – No comment

7. STAFF COMMENTS

No Comments

8. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn in memory of Covina Police Officer made by Glendale, seconded by Culver City at 1:47 pm.

Next Regular Meeting will be held
Thursday, November 6, 2014 at 1:00 pm.
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