

# INTERAGENCY COMMUNICATIONS INTEROPERABILITY SYSTEM JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY MEETING OF THE GOVERNANCE BOARD GLENDALE CITY HALL 613 E. BROADWAY, GLENDALE, CA 91206

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# **AUGUST 6, 2015**

# 1. BUSINESS AGENDA – 1:00 pm

The meeting was called to order by Chair Goldman at 12:59 pm

#### a. Roll Call

Beverly Hills – Erick Lee
Burbank – Jim Compton
Com-Net JPA – Tim Saab
Glendale – Theresa Goldman
Culver City – Dave White
Montebello – Dominic Herbert
Pasadena – absent
Pomona – Michael Ellis

b. Report of Staff, re: Posting of Agenda. The Agenda for the August 6, 2015 Governance Board Meeting was posted on July 31, 2015, on the ICIS Web Site and the Bulletin Board outside Glendale City Hall.

# 2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

No Cards

#### 3. REPORTS – INFORMATION

a. Reports Regarding Changes in Project Status from Previous Month

Beverly Hills – No report
Burbank – No report
Com-Net JPA – No report
Glendale – No report
Culver City – No report
Montebello – No report
Pasadena – absent
Pomona – No report

## b. Report from Technical Committee

Jim Floyd, Tech Committee Vice Chair, reported what was discussed during the Technical Committee meeting held on July 9<sup>th</sup>: Beverly Hills signed with Motorola for placement of new microwave system; Glendale started working on the software for agreement with Motorola for the 7.14 package; Montebello's upgrades on microwave is in process; Com-Net's transition to console microwave connectivity to ICIS has passed T1 testing; for SUA upgrade, Motorola successfully conducted 7.14 upgrades; Burbank also upgraded redundant hard drive in each of their dispatch work station; The microwave issues involving Glendale, Verdugo, and Pasadena were addressed in the Glendale system; and lastly, Mr. Floyd reported that the Technical Committee is moving forward to establish formal ICIS subscriber unit certification process.

#### c. Report from Legislative Committee

No report

# d. Report from Operations Committee

No report

## e. Report Regarding LA-RICS

Chair Goldman informed the panel that she and Director Edey attended part of LA RICS board meeting to know the status of the MOU. She reported that it was however presented as informational item only and not as an action item in the meeting's agenda; therefore, no discussion nor any reaction for consideration was made as of yet.

## f. Report on Boston Area T-Band Meeting

Chair Goldman reported to the board that her and Director Edey's trip to Boston was successful and has served well in forming coalition. They tackled with Boston representatives their issues on T-Band. She conveyed that they spent part of the meeting educating the group what the T-Band auction mandate was, and also highlighted what loss of T-Band meant to their region, which Cambridge Fire Chief Reardon found largely helpful. She expressed that they decided to adopt Jaime Jones' suggested strategy that is to reach out to some other areas affected by the issue that have republican representation, and get them to call a hearing and have FCC come in to advise them that this is not a viable mandate. Another avenue that Chair Goldman would like to take is to formally engage legislators as part of an agenda action item at the next board meeting. This is to have dialogue with them as to how they would like ICIS members to help them, and who else they could see as an ally from other states that are affected by the issue they would like the team to engage in as well. She expressed belief that with the help of these legislators, they could put together a strategy to move forward resolving the T-Band matter.

Director Edey agreed that Boston was an excellent meeting. He informed the board that those present were several police chiefs from the Boston area, and chief technicians from the Boston Fire Department. Edey reported that they were all in the same page and that ICIS was way ahead of everybody in respect to reaction to the issue. He said that this was further confirmed after having spoken to some important bureaucratic offices in DC; they haven't been hearing much from everybody else other than from ICIS group. He agreed with Chair Goldman's suggestion for next month's agenda, as it will bring results.

#### 4. CONSENT ITEMS

a. Approval of the Minutes for the June 4 Regular Meeting

Motion to approve made by: Beverly Hills Second by: Pomona

Beverly Hills – aye
Burbank – aye
Com-Net JPA – aye
Glendale – aye
Culver City – aye
Montebello – aye
Pasadena – absent
Pomona – aye
All in favor.

#### 5. ACTION ITEMS

- a. Election of 2015-2016 Chair of the ICIS Governance Board
  - 1. Motion to Elect Chair

Motion to Elect Theresa Goldman (Glendale) as Chair made by Culver City, second by Montebello

Beverly Hills – aye
Burbank – aye
Com-Net JPA – aye
Glendale – aye
Culver City – aye
Montebello – aye
Pasadena – absent
Pomona – aye
All in favor

- b. Election of 2015-2016 Vice Chair of the ICIS Governance Board
  - 1. Motion to Elect Vice Chair

Motion to Elect Erick Lee (Beverly Hills) as Vice Chair made by Glendale, second by Culver City.

Beverly Hills – aye Burbank – aye Com-Net JPA – aye Glendale – aye Culver City – aye Montebello – aye Pasadena – absent Pomona – aye All in favor

- c. Election of 2015-2016 Secretary of the ICIS Governance Board
  - 1. Motion to Elect Secretary

Motion to Elect Maria Calvento as Secretary made by Burbank, second by Glendale.

Beverly Hills – aye
Burbank – aye
Com-Net JPA – aye
Glendale – aye
Culver City – aye
Montebello – aye
Pasadena – absent
Pomona – aye
All in favor

- d. Discussion concerning MOU between LA-RICS and ICIS JPA's
  - 1. Motion Authorizing Chair to Further Negotiate, Finalize, and Execute MOU

Chair Goldman reported to the board that the Memorandum of Agreement she and Executive Director Edey have been working and negotiating on with Judge Bonner and LA RICS group went very well. She acknowledged the Judge's presence in the meeting and recognized his extremely

instrumental role in drafting the agreement by objectively integrating both agencies' thought processes together. The final draft MOU was presented to the board for the approval.

Judge Bonner, who has been actively involved in evaluating the LMR radio interoperability county wide in LA County, addressed the board and conveyed that the main objective in incorporating ICIS and LA RICS is to have an interoperable system protocol wherein the first responders for public safety agencies in LA County, irrespective of their political sub-division in which they are in-charged or working for, will be able to communicate with other responders without patches. He emphasized that this is currently impossible, and the consequence of not having LMR interoperability during large scale disaster is very significant. He stressed that the Memorandum of Agreement is a big step towards that direction and a step in addressing the key issues in achieving the goal. He said that the MOU will establish that the goal can, should, and will be achieved through the system to systems approach using the ICIS model, by integrating the ICIS and LA RICS systems, and that the MOU will establish the joint technical committee that will be responsible to make recommendations and plans in merging the two systems. Judge Bonner endorsed its approval to the board that will afford Chair Goldman the authority to negotiate and finalize the agreement with LA RICS.

Director Edey thanked Judge Bonner and UASI staff from LA Mayor's Office for handling the MOU development very diligently. He also informed the board of his concern for the time sensitivity of the MOU based what was discussed during the earlier LA RICS meeting. It was clear that before acting on or approving the agreement, LA-RICS will require their representatives of all four Committees to evaluate and respond to the document. Due to time sensitivity, Director Edey is hoping they would find a way to expedite the process if it will delay their acting on the MOU. Ms. Steinberg from the LA Mayor's office who works with UASI grants assured the board that the Los Angeles Mayor's Office and UASI Approval Authority would also like to avoid further delays due to the impending expiration dates of the funding involved.

Motion made by: Montebello seconded by: Com-Net JPA

Beverly Hills – aye Burbank – aye Com-Net JPA – aye Glendale - aye Culver City – aye Montebello – aye Pasadena – absent Pomona – aye All in favor.

- e. Discussion Concerning Revised 2015-16 Budget Appropriations
  - 1. Motion to Adopt Revised 2015-16 Budget

Director Edey presented a proposed revision to previously adopted budget. He explained that it would not affect or increase the bottom line, but to only shift funding from one item to another as suggested by the Accountants for better management of approved travel expenditures. The amount of \$3,000.00 from existing Communications & Maintenance Fund will be reapportioned to Contractual Services Fund.

Motion to approve made by: Culver City Second by: Burbank

Beverly Hills – aye Burbank – aye Com-Net JPA – aye Glendale - aye Culver City – aye Montebello – aye Pasadena – absent Pomona – aye All in favor.

## 6. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Beverly Hills – No comment

Burbank – Jim Compton told the board that after their initial step by taking an item to their Council to allow a site for LA RICS to be built in City of Burbank, they went back to once again raise the subject matter. Although they received favorable response when it was first presented to the Council, they didn't get everyone to approve it at the time. They are also hope that could get it approved within the union. He said that they will keep making an effort to get this passed and have this project come to fruition.

Com-Net JPA - No comment

Glendale – Chair Goldman thanked the board members for appointing her once again as the Chair of the Board. She expressed that this is one of the hallmark of her career, something that is important to her and strongly believe in, and the member's faith in her capacity really means a lot.

Culver City – No comment

Montebello – No comment

Pasadena – absent

Pomona – Michael Ellis shared with the members that their city had a music festival last weekend that involved hiring of 190 officers for the event. He said that with the 190 officers on the radio, communicating with their patrol staff working through the city, which was about 40,000 range, the communication was very clear and flawless.

# 7. STAFF COMMENTS

Director Edey acknowledged the presence of Ernest Gallo from City of Torrance. He said he is intimately involved in the development of the Torrance/Southbay region site, which is essentially a potential Area G system. Edey then expressed his gratitude to Chair Theresa Goldman and Vice Chair Erick Lee for agreeing to continue on with their respective role with ICIS. He also thanked Maria Calvento and the City of Glendale for making her services as Secretary available for ICIS.

## 8. ADJOURNMENT

Next Regular Meeting will be held: Thursday, September 3, 2015 at 1:00 pm. Glendale City Hall 613 East Broadway, Glendale, CA 91206