



**INTERAGENCY COMMUNICATIONS
INTEROPERABILITY SYSTEM
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE GOVERNANCE BOARD
OF AUGUST 6, 2009**

1. REGULAR BUSINESS AGENDA

Vice-Chair DePompa called the meeting to order at 2:09 p.m.

a. Roll Call

Beverly Hills – Theresa Taylor

Burbank – Greg Simay

Culver City – absent

Glendale – Ron DePompa

Montebello – Jim Duncan

Pasadena – Chris Vicino

Pomona – absent

Secretary Cordova read into the record that the Agenda for the August 6, 2009, Regular Meeting was posted on August 3, 2009, on the Bulletin Board outside Glendale City Hall.

2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

3. REPORTS - INFORMATION

a. Reports Regarding Changes in Project Status from Previous Month

Burbank had no changes, they are doing joint testing.

Montebello had no changes to report.

Beverly Hills reported no changes.

Steve Page reported that Pasadena has continued with the distribution of subscriber units, and they are in the process of meeting with Motorola on the changes to the project plan.

Capt. Ray Edey, from Glendale reported that ICIS secured approval for two grants in the State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP) through Glendale for the ICIS infrastructure. The two grants total \$2.25 million; \$1 million for the microwave looping of four repeater sites as a fail-safe measure and \$1.25 million for the development of a San Gabriel Valley area repeater to enhance coverage for existing ICIS resources. This was made possible through the support of the L.A. County Police Chief's, L.A. Area Fire Chiefs, and the County Fire and Sheriff's Departments.

Vice-Chair DePompa commented that this is a huge victory for ICIS; useful either alone or with LA RICS.

b. Report from Technical Committee

Steve Page of Pasadena reported that the Technical Committee discussed various items during their last meeting. The main discussion of the meeting had to do with the plan for Narrowbanding the system as part of the Master Site upgrade. Motorola provided a

broad outline with several options presented on how to accomplish the project. After a lengthy discussion by the committee, new ideas were brought forward for the members to consider and discuss at the next regular meeting.

Other issues discussed were the OC3 microwave link from the Master Site to Mt. Thom using UASI 06 grant funding using a Motorola Orthagon link, additional subscribers for LA IMPACT as part of their renewal process, and the arrival of new hardware for the master site. There is a possibility that Pomona will move their second site to a new City Yard facility near the 210 Freeway in Claremont; Chief Cooper at Claremont PD suggested this. The Technical Committee is in the process of conducting a talkgroup audit which will result in unused talkgroups, demo talkgroups, unused analog talkgroups, and unnecessary talkgroups being turned off. Montebello and Beverly Hills have experience heat-related issues on CEB card cages that have caused failures, all members have been advised to examine the specific connector in question to avoid a service-affecting outage. Motorola is aware and looking for a solution. There was a system wide failure test to determine the effectiveness of the two system failure modes; Failsoft and Site Trunking. There were some issues with the Failsoft test and being addressed by the committee, Motorola's STs, and Engineers. Motorola will be performing an upgrade to the Master Site as part of the 7.7/SmartX upgrade which will take the system into Site Trunking this coming weekend; each agency will have technicians available to monitor the progress of the upgrade.

c. Reports from Legislative Committee

The CJS Appropriations bill was marked up by the Senate Appropriations Committee on June 25th; the full Senate is expected to consider the measure in September.

Burbank and Beverly Hills have conducted an ICIS 101 Session with their interested Council Members, the Executive Director and their Board Member. Please work on scheduling these important meetings, the Liaisons has been very impactful at the Federal level.

d. Report regarding LA RICS

Board Member Simay reported that the meeting had been canceled this morning, next meeting will be on September 3.

Thanked the technical committee for going over the proposed specifications and the RFP, the general concerns he is going to raise is that he doesn't feel the projects should be rushed, if steps are skipped, could cause losing money in the long run.

4. CONSENT ITEMS

a. Approval of the Minutes for the July 9, 2009 Special Meeting.

A motion was made to approve the minutes for the July 9, 2009 Special meeting as presented.

Motion – Montebello

Second – Burbank

4-0-1 (Beverly Hills abstain)

5. ACTION ITEMS

a. Discussion Regarding Cal Poly Pomona

Executive Director Wright informed the Governance Board that the Technical Committee has approved the request of Cal Poly Pomona to place 10 units on a single talk group to roam wide.

Motion approving Cal Poly Pomona as ICIS Roaming Subscriber

Motion – Burbank

Second – Montebello

Unanimous Consensus

b. Discussion Regarding Montebello Unified School District

Executive Director Wright informed the Governance Board that the Technical Committee has approved the request of Montebello Unified School District to be a subscriber with one roaming talk group of 33 units.

Motion approving Montebello Unified School District as ICIS Roaming Subscriber

Motion – Pasadena

Second – Montebello

Unanimous Consensus

c. Discussion Regarding LA IMPACT

Executive Director Wright informed the Governance Board that the Technical Committee has approved the request of LA IMPACT to add 5 units to their current 75 units with roaming rights.

Motion approving LA IMPACT Request to Add 5 Units as ICIS Roaming Subscribers

Motion – Burbank

Second – Pasadena

Unanimous Consensus

d. Discussion Regarding Strategic Planning Session

Executive Director Wright recommended that the annual Strategic Planning Session be moved up to November to discuss the goals and objectives for the upcoming year.

Motion was made that the annual Strategic Planning Session be moved to November instead of December.

Motion Burbank

Second Beverly Hills

Unanimous Consensus

6. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Theresa Taylor of Beverly Hills stated that their city would like to host a brief demonstration of ICIS for Congressman Benny Thompson of the Homeland Security.

Vice-Chair DePompa of Glendale advised the board that he is recommending Captain Ray Edey replace him on the Governance Board. With the retirement of Chief Randy Adams, he was appointed interim chief as of July 2009. Vice-Chair DePompa feels that Capt. Edey has the knowledge of the technical, financial and grant requesting sides of ICIS.

Vice-Chair DePompa thanked Steve Hronek for having the vision of ICIS “literally sketched out on a napkin”. Vice-Chair DePompa is very proud to have been a part of ICIS and its continuing success.

7. STAFF COMMENTS

Executive Director Wright thanked Vice-Chair DePompa for all of his support and effort to ICIS.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:37 p.m.