# REGULAR MEETING OF THE
# INTEROPERABILITY NETWORK OF THE SOUTH BAY
# JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY TECHNICAL COMMITTEE
# TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2019, 10:00 AM
# SOUTH BAY REGIONAL PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY
# SECOND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
# 4440 W. BROADWAY, HAWTHORNE, CA

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. **ROLL CALL**

   - El Segundo
   - Gardena
   - Hawthorne
   - Hermosa Beach
   - Manhattan Beach
   - Redondo Beach
   - Torrance

3. **POSTING OF THE AGENDA**

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

   Members of the public will be given the opportunity to directly address the Technical Committee. Speakers may provide public comments on any matter that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Technical Committee, including items on the agenda. While all comments are welcome, the Brown Act does not allow the Technical Committee to take action on any item not on the agenda. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes per speaker.

5. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

   a. Approval of Minutes – November 12, 2019

6. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

   a. Discussion of System Technical Issues

   b. Torrance Prime Site to Mt. Thom Microwave Link

   c. Manhattan Beach Water Tower Site & Mitigation Options

   d. Update on Transition of Local Government Users

   e. Update on Federal T-Band Issue

7. **COMMENTS FROM TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND STAFF**

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

1. **CALL TO ORDER 1001 Hours**

2. **ROLL CALL**

    Present:          Chair Erick Lee, City of Gardena
                      Vice Chair Jerry Edwards, City of Torrance
                      Member Shawn Bonfield, City of El Segundo (arrived 10:02AM)
                      Member Josh Armstrong, City of Hawthorne
                      Member Milton McKinnon, City of Hermosa Beach
                      Member Debra Kochheim, City of Redondo Beach (arrived 10:11AM)
                      Member Andy Harrod, City of Manhattan Beach

    Also Present:     Ernest Gallo, City of Torrance
                      Dennis Faro, City of Torrance
                      Battalion Chief Leroy Diekmann, Chevron Fire
                      Michael Bathauer, Chevron Fire
                      Mike Sweeney, Manhattan Beach Police Department
                      Captain Scott Martinez, El Segundo Fire Department
                      Nathan Rukasin, Culver City Fire Department
                      Darnell Wallace, Hawthorne Police Department
                      John Krok, City of Gardena
                      Thomas Luce, Resident

3. **POSTING OF THE AGENDA**

    Chair Lee reported that the agenda was posted on the front window of the Authority's headquarters facility and on the Authority's website and was distributed via email to all committee members and interested parties.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

    Thomas Luce addressed the committee on the subject of encryption. He requested that the JPA's police departments do not encrypt their main frequencies in order to provide additional transparency to the public on law enforcement activities and allow members of the community to assist first responders during times of emergencies.

5. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

    a.  Approval of Minutes – October 8, 2019

    Motion: Vice Chair Edwards moved to approve the INSB Technical Committee minutes of October 8, 2019 as written. The motion was seconded by Member McKinnon and passed by unanimous voice vote.

6. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

    a.  Discussion of System Technical Issues

    - Encryption Issues on Law Enforcement Talk Groups

        Victor Bowers from Commline reported that all police departments, with the exception of Redondo Beach Police Department, have been operating on the encrypted talk groups for nearly a week with no reported issues. The issues the INSB system experienced with the

encrypted talk groups related to a network setting at the ICI System core in Glendale regarding timing and buffers.

Redondo Beach Police Department is scheduled to transition to the INSB system on November 14th.

- Spectrum Fiber Link from Torrance Prime Site to Glendale Core

Executive Director Gallo reported that the recent fiber link outage was related to a billing issue. He will be working with our ICI System partners to address this issue with Spectrum to ensure proper protocols are in-place to prevent this type of disruption of public safety operations in the future.

Vice Chair Edwards advised that other ICI System agencies may have similar issues, but not know when their fiber service has been interrupted.

Member Armstrong recommended that the JPA work to get this fiber link as a DHS telecommunications protected link.

b. Torrance Prime Site to Mt. Thom Microwave Link

Vice Chair Edwards advised that this microwave link needs to be triaged and corrected by Motorola. In order to do that, a 3rd link needs to be temporarily established to ensure system redundancy. The Committee discussed the pros and cons and long-term implications of this issue.

Motion: Vice Chair Edwards made a motion to grant Motorola temporary management of the microwave link from the Torrance Prime Site to Baldwin Hills. The motion was seconded by Member Kochheim and passed unanimous voice vote.

c. Manhattan Beach Water Tower Site & Mitigation Options

Vice Chair Edwards reported that Motorola has provided planning estimates as follows:

- Up/Down work on Tower: $250,000
- Move existing equipment to MB's Police Department/Fire Department facility: $500K
- Add a 7th site at Manhattan Beach's Police Department/Fire Department facility: $1M

Chair Lee reported that representatives from the RCC and Torrance will be meeting with Police, Fire, and Public Works representatives from Manhattan Beach later this month to discuss the upcoming rehab project and mitigation options.

d. Budget Projections of Recurring Costs in Future Years

Executive Director Gallo reported on the recent ad hoc meeting that was convened to develop these projections. He advised that this information is a work in progress and will be shared with the Finance Committee. He also invited all members of the Committee to provide feedback on the information.

e. Hawthorne Public Works Request

Chair Lee reported on the success that Gardena Public Works has enjoyed in using the INSB system as a secondary local government (non-safety) user. He advised that Hawthorne Public Works has requested similar access to the system.

The Committee discussed this request and determined that these local government users have not and are not anticipated to negatively impact public safety users on the system. Furthermore, all 12 channels are now loaded on the system, which provides additional resiliency for all cities.

Vice Chair Edwards recommended that all 7 cities be provided the opportunity to bring their local government users online.

Motion: Chair Lee moved to grant all members the ability to load their local government users onto the system. The motion was seconded by Member Bonfield and passed by unanimous voice vote.

7. **COMMENTS FROM TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND STAFF**

None.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:41AM.