



IMPERIAL VALLEY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY (I.V.E.C.A.)

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Monthly meetings are held on the 4th Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING – VIRTUAL MEETING – OCTOBER 22, 2020 – 1:30 P.M.

IVECA BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Economic Development Department
1249 W. Main Street
El Centro, CA 92243

Governor's Executive Order N-25-20 (March 17, 2020) allows the Board Members and the public to participate in the meeting via teleconference.

El Centro Public Works is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: IVECA Board Meeting
Time: Oct 22, 2020 01:30 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

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Economic Development Department - 1249 W. Main Street, El Centro, California.

All supporting documentation is available for public review in the Imperial Valley Emergency Communications Authority "IVECA" office located at 2514 La Brucherie Road, Imperial, CA, 92251, during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, 7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this public meeting, you should contact the office of IVECA at (442) 265-6029. Notification at least 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable IVECA to make reasonable accommodations, modifications, or arrangements to assure accessibility to this public meeting.

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AGENDA

October 22, 2020 1:30 p.m. Virtual Meeting

I. CALL TO ORDER:

1. Verify the quorum of Board Members.
2. Verification of posting of Agenda.

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS: *This is a public meeting. The IVECA Board welcomes your input and you may address the Board on items that are within the jurisdiction of IVECA but are not on the agenda. Members of the public may comment on items that are on the agenda when that item is being addressed by the Board. Please state your name and address for the record. Speaking time is limited to three (3) minutes. The Board is prohibited from discussing or taking any action on any item not appearing on the agenda.*

III. CONSENT AGENDA: *Consent agenda items are approved by one motion. IVECA Board or members of the public may pull consent items to be considered at a time determined by the President.*

- Approval of IVECA's Minutes: Regular Meeting.
- Approval of IVECA's Monthly Financial Reports.

Recommendation: Approval of the Consent Agenda.

Final Action: A motion was made by Chief Diego Favila, and seconded by Tony Rouhotas, Jr. to approve the Consent Agenda and Financial Reports. Motion was approved unanimously.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Discussion/Action:** The Board will consider the execution of the Mission Critical Partners (MCP) contract for the development of a Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Regionalization Implementation Plan, Phase 2.

Recommendation: The Board should consider contracting with MCP for Phase 2 – Plan Development and have Chief Estrada, IVECA Board President execute the same.

Discussion: Mr. Mark Schmidt informed all that at the September 24, 2020 IVECA Board meeting a presentation was made by MCP in response to the scope of work/request for proposal document for the development of a public safety answering point (PSAP) regionalization implementation plan. It was stated by Mr. Schmidt that the principal purpose of the IVECA JPA, "Is to establish a consolidated communications center by equipping, maintaining, operating and staffing a single-site facility to provide emergency call receiving and dispatching services to the parties." "Secondary purposes are to provide services, on a contractual basis, to other governmental agencies and to serve as a forum for discussion, study, development and implementation of public safety communication services of mutual interest."

The MCP contract was distributed to all IVECA Board Members. It was reviewed and found unremarkable by Attorney Ryan Childers and Mr. Schmidt. The MCP contract stated cost for Phase 2 – Plan development is a total not-to-exceed sum of \$113,834.00, including expenses.

Chief Brian Jonson commented on shared costs of regionalization and the possibility for long-term reduced costs. PSAP regionalization's goal is ultimately to provide a better level of services to our community. Chief Johnson stated that due to today's economic climate, municipalities in the region continue to face economic challenges. He expressed his concerns about the area's ability at this time to fund PSAP regionalization. The costs for infrastructure, staffing, and physical plant are noteworthy and potentially are cost prohibitive. He was uncertain if IVECA should move forward at this time with PSAP regionalization.

Chief Robert Sawyer questioned the proposal for a single PSAP, the desire for PSAP regionalization, and the financial feasibility of regionalization.

Mr. Schmidt addressed Chief Sawyer's concerns. He explained that regionalization would involve two (2) separate PSAPs. Phase 2 – Plan Development will address participant buy-in and investigate financial considerations.

Mr. David Jones, MCP, commented that Phase 2 – Plan Development would address Chief Sawyer's concerns.

Mr. Eric Caddy, MCP, answered concerns regarding staffing changes in SOP's, use of existing PSAP locations, and possible construction of two (2) PSAPs.

Chief Alfredo Estrada, Jr. commented on considering reviewing the funding mechanisms, whether they are plausible or not, and make a future decision encompassing economic circumstance. Chief Estrada noted that if it is a terrorism act, active shooter, or any other emergency response, the priority is to find a way to reduce the first response time.

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Sheriff Ray Loera mentioned that it would be up to the city managers if there is a possibility of funding the PSAP regionalization project.

Ms. Marcela Piedra had questions about funding the regionalization plan. She also mentioned that it will be up to the city managers and elected officials to decide if we are going to regionalize. If funding is available to proceed, Ms. Piedra suggested moving forward to contract with MCP for the regionalization plan.

Mr. Tony Rouhotas, Jr. explained that he acknowledges everyone's concerns about present and future funding for the PSAP regionalization project. He suggested that the Board contract with MCP for the regionalization plan.

Recommendation: The Board should consider contracting with MCP for Phase 2 – Plan Development and have Chief Estrada, IVECA Board President execute the same.

Final Action: Motion was made by Ms. Piedra and seconded by Mr. Rouhotas to contract with MCP for Phase 2 – PSAP Regionalization Plan Development, and have Chief Estrada, IVECA Board President, execute the same. Motion was approved unanimously.

2. **Discussion/Action:** The Board will consider the monetary transfer from the Facilities Account, Number 05, to the checking account of \$88,834.00, for payment of the Mission Critical Partners (MCP) contract for the development of a Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Regionalization Implementation Plan, Phase 2.

Discussion: Fiscal information was given. An amount of \$25,000.00 was included in the FY 20-21 IVECA Budget for the PSAP Regionalization Implementation Plan. $\$88,834.00 + \$25,000.00 = \$113,834.00$ – A total not-to-exceed sum, including expenses for the development of a PSAP Regionalization Implementation Plan, Phase 2.

Recommendation: Approve the transfer from the Facilities Account, Number 05, for \$88,834.00.

Final Action: Motion was made by Mr. Rouhotas and seconded by Chief Estrada to approve the transfer from the Facilities Account, Number 05, for \$88,834.00. Motion was approved unanimously.

V. REPORTS:

1. Other: Reports from officers and committees. No reports.

VI. INFORMATION:

1. IVECA Updates.
 - (a) Legal Counsel - Ryan Childers. No updates.
 - (b) Emergency Communications Project Coordinator – Mark Schmidt.
A 5150 Response Team radio class has been established for December 11, 2020. A reminder that revised 800 MHz fleetmaps are now due.
2. Round Table. No comments.

VII. ADJOURMENT: 2:04 p.m.

The next regular meeting date is November 19, 2020.