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BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING

DATE: June 3, 2022

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Alameda County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Services,

Room 1013

4985 Broder Blvd., Dublin, CA 94568

Notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting of the East Bay Regional Communications System Authority will be held on Friday, June 3, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.

Meeting Procedure During Coronavirus (COVID-19) Outbreak:

Pursuant to the provisions of California Governor's March 4, 2020 State of Emergency Declaration and enactment of Assembly Bill 361 on September 16, 2021 which adopted exemptions to the Ralph Brown M. Act and the proposed findings to be adopted by the Board at this meeting, thismeeting will be conducted by teleconference only in accordance with Government Code section 54953(e). No physical location will be available for this meeting. Members of the public may participate in this meeting, on Zoom at Meeting ID: 852 5594 1052 and Passcode: 351347 or by calling 1-253-215-8782. This meeting agenda is available online at http://www.ebrcsa.org/meetings/board-of-directors.page,

- The Public will be asked if there is any comment or question concerning the meeting during the Public Comment Period and as each item is discussed.
- The Speaker may provide their name for the record if they so choose.

REVISED AGENDA

- 1. <u>Call to Order/Roll Call</u>: Time: 10:00 a.m.
- 2. Public Comments (Meeting Open to the Public)
- 3. <u>Consent Calendar:</u> Consent Calendar items are typically non-controversial in nature and are considered for approval by the East Bay Regional Communications System Authority Board with one single action. Members of the audience, Staff or the Board of

Directors who would like an item removed from the Consent Calendar for purposes of public input may request the Board Chair to remove the item.

- 3.1 Adoption of AB 361 Findings to Allow Teleconferenced Meetings
- 3.2 Adoption of a Resolution Ratifying the Board's Approval of the FY 22/23 EBRCSA Budget
- 3.3 Approval of Minutes of the May 6, 2022 Board of Directors Meeting

4. Adjournment

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I hereby certify that the attached agenda was posted 24 hours before the noted meeting.

Tom McCarthy Executive Director Dated: 05/31/2022

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 3.1.

AGENDA STATEMENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MEETING DATE: June 3, 2022

TO: Board of Directors

East Bay Regional Communications System Authority (EBRCSA)

FROM: Thomas McCarthy, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Continuation of AB 361 Findings to Allow Teleconferenced Meeting.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors of the East Bay Regional Communications System Authority ("Authority") consider adopting the proposed Resolution to continue conducting Board of Director and all other Authority Committee meetings remotely due to health and safety concerns for the public and making related findings in compliance with Assembly Bill 361 (2021) ("AB 361") effective June 3, 2022 through July 1, 2022.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

On March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom declared a State of Emergency to make additional resources available, formalize emergency actions already underway across multiple state agencies and departments, and help the State address the broader spread of COVID-19.

On March 17, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20, which suspended certain provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act ("Brown Act") in order to allow local legislative bodies to conduct meetings telephonically or by other means. Additionally, the State implemented a shelter-in-place order, requiring all non-essential personnel to work from home.

The Board of Directors established virtual meetings. The virtual meetings have allowed the Board to continue to conduct its business from remote locations while ensuring the public's continued access to government meetings in a safe manner.

On June 11, 2021, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-08-21, which among other things, rescinded certain clauses of Executive Order N-29-20 after September 30, 2021, including clauses that suspended certain provisions of the Brown Act. Thus, effective October 1, 2021, agencies would have had to transition back to in person public meetings. Since the Governor issued Executive Order N-08-21, the highly contagious Delta variant has emerged, causing a spike in cases throughout the state and within Alameda and Contra Costa Counties.

On August 2, 2021 the Alameda and Contra Costa County Health Officers issued Public Health Orders requiring all individuals in both Counties, regardless of vaccination status, to wear face coverings in all indoor public settings and businesses for the control of COVID-19.

On September 16, 2021, Governor Newsom signed AB 361, which was an urgency measure that became effective on October 1, 2021, and it allows a local agency to use teleconferencing for public meetings during a Governor-proclaimed state of emergency as long as the legislative body adopts findings every 30 days that: 1) meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees as a result of the emergency; or 2) state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing.

Since the Health Officers' August Orders were issued, the highly contagious Omicron Variant has emerged, and resulted in the greatest nationwide infection rate since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Alameda County and Contra Costa County Health Officers rescinded the prior Health Officer Orders regarding indoor masking and aligned with the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Guidance lifting indoor mask mandates for vaccinated persons beginning February 16, 2022. However, unvaccinated individuals over age 2 will continue to be required to wear masks in all indoor public settings, and businesses may determine their own protocols to protect staff and patrons and may choose to require all patrons to wear masks.

Bay Area health officers continue to strongly recommend masks be used as an effective tool to prevent the spread of COVID-19, especially in crowded or poorly ventilated indoor public settings. Indoor masking is still required by the State for everyone, regardless of vaccination status, in public transportation; health care settings; congregate settings like correctional facilities and homeless shelters; long term care facilities; and in K-12 schools and childcare settings.

In such circumstances, a legislative body is not required to make available a physical location from which members of the public may observe the meeting and offer public comment or required to have a quorum of the members of the legislative body participate from locations within the boundaries of the agency's jurisdiction in the following circumstances:

- The legislative body holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency, and state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing.
- The legislative body holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency to determine, by majority vote, whether as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees; or
- The legislative body holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency and has determined, by majority vote, as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

The legislative body must make certain findings by majority vote every 30 days to continue using AB 361's teleconferencing requirements.

An additional provision of AB 361 states that, in the event of a disruption within the local agency's control that prevents members of the public from offering public comments using the call-in option or internet-based service option, the legislative body is prohibited from taking any further action on items appearing on the meeting agenda until public access to the meeting via the call-in or internet-based options is restored.

These new provisions are only operative until January 1, 2024, at which point they are repealed, and the prior Brown Act teleconferencing requirements become effective again.

The CDPH and the Federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) caution that the Delta and Omicron Variants of COVID-19 are more transmissible than prior variants of the virus, may cause more severe illness, and even fully vaccinated individuals can spread the virus to others resulting in rapid and alarming rates of COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations.

The Authority meets the requirements to continue holding meetings remotely in order to ensure the health and safety of the public:

- The Governor has declared a State of Emergency related to the COVID-19 pandemic; and
- County Health Orders strongly recommend that individuals in indoor public spaces wear masks and the CDC recommends social distancing of at least six feet if an individual is not up to date on COVID-19 vaccinations/boosters due to COVID-19; and
- The Delta and Omicron Variants of COVID-19 have resulted in a significant increase of COVID-19 cases within the state and throughout Alameda and Contra Costa Counties.

Thus, meeting in person for Board and Authority Committee meetings would present imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees, the Board and staff. In the interest of public health and safety, as affected by the emergency caused by the spread of COVID-19, Authority staff recommends invoking the provisions of Assembly Bill 361 related to teleconferencing.

The Board must make its own determination and findings every 30 days in order to continue holding teleconferenced meetings in accordance with AB 361. At this time, Staff intends to schedule special Board meetings every 30 days, if necessary, to consider adoption of similar findings in the future.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None.

COMMITTEE ACTION:

None.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is recommended that the Board of Directors consider adopting the proposed Resolution to continue conducting Board of Director and all other Authority Committee meetings remotely due

to health and safety concerns for the public and making related findings in compliance with AB 361 effective June 3,2022 through July 1,2022.

Attachments:

Exhibit "A" – Proposed Resolution 5115762.1

RESOLUTION NO. 22-A RESOLUTION OF THE THE EAST BAY REGIONAL COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AUTHORITY

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS PURSUANT TO ASSEMBLY BILL 361 EFFECTIVE June 3, 2022 THROUGH July 1, 2022

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom proclaimed the existence of a state of emergency in California under the California Emergency Services Act, Government Code section 8550 et seq. (Declaration); and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom issued Executive order N-29-20 (Executive Order), which suspended the teleconferencing rules set forth in California Open Meeting law, the Ralph M. Brown Act (California Government Code §§ 54950 – 54963), provided certain requirements were met and followed; and

WHEREAS, on June 11, 2021, Governor Gavin Newsom issued Executive Order N-08-21, which clarified the suspension of the teleconferencing rules set forth in the Ralph M. Brown Act and further provided that those provisions would remain suspended through September 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, on September 16, 2021, Governor Gavin Newsom signed Assembly Bill 361, which provides that under Government Code section 54953(e), a legislation body subject to the Ralph M. Brown Act may continue to meet using teleconferencing without complying with the non-emergency teleconferencing rules in Government Code section 54953(b)(3) if a proclaimed state of emergency exists and state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing; and

WHEREAS, such conditions exist in the East Bay Regional Communications System Authority (EBRCSA) jurisdiction. In addition to the Governor's Declaration, both the Alameda and Contra Costa County Health Officers have issued numerous Health Orders regarding safety protocols during the COVID-19 pandemic. In particular, on August 2, 2021, both the Contra Costa County and Alameda County Health Officers issued an Order requiring all individuals in the County, regardless of vaccination status, to wear face coverings in all indoor public settings and businesses for the control of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and the Federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) caution that the Delta and Omicron Variants of COVID-19, are more transmissible than prior variants of the virus, may cause more severe illness, and even fully vaccinated individuals can spread the virus to others resulting in rapid and alarming rates of COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations; and

WHEREAS, on February 16, 2022, the Health Officers' Orders were modified to strongly recommend all individuals in the Counties, regardless of vaccination status, to wear face coverings in all indoor public settings and businesses for the control of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, in the interest of public health and safety, as affected by the emergency caused by the spread of COVID-19, EBRCSA intends to invoke the provisions of Assembly Bill 361 related to teleconferencing in the manner authorized by Government Code § 54953(e), and such legislative body shall comply with the requirements to provide the public with access to the meetings as prescribed in Government Code § 54953(e)(2); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of East Bay Regional Communications System Authority as follows:

- 1. The Recitals set forth above are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. In compliance with AB 361 (2021), and in order to continue to conduct teleconference meetings without complying with the usual teleconference meeting requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act, the Board of Directors makes the following findings:
 - a. The Board of Directors has considered the circumstances of the state of emergency; and
 - b. The state of emergency, as declared by the Governor, continues to directly impact the ability of the Board of Directors, including EBRCSA's legislative bodies and staff, as well as staff and members of the public, from meeting safely in person; and
 - c. The CDC, Alameda and Contra Costa Counties Departments of Public Health continue to recommend physical distancing of at least six feet if an individual is not up to date on COVID-19 vaccinations/boosters due to COVID-19 and as a result of the presence of COVID-19 and the Delta and Omicron Variants, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees, the legislative bodies and staff.
- 3. The Board of Directors and EBRCSA's legislative bodies may continue to meet remotely in compliance with AB 361, in order to better ensure the health and safety of the public and staff in accordance with the provisions of Government Code section 54953(e).
- 4. The Board of Directors will revisit the need to conduct meetings remotely within 30 days of the adoption of this resolution.
- 5. Staff is authorized and directed to take all actions necessary to implement the intent and purpose of this resolution, including conducting open and public meetings in accordance with Government Code section 54953(e) and all other application provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act; and
- 6. Staff is directed to return no later than 30 days after this resolution is adopted with an item for the Board of Directors of East Bay Regional Communications System

Authority	to consider	whether to	continue	meeting	under th	ne provisions	of Assen	nbly
Bill 361.								

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of East Bay Regional Communication
System Authority at a regular meeting on the 3rd day of June 2022, by the following vote:

AYES:		
NOES:		
ABSTENTIONS:		
ABSENT:		
	ATTEST:	
	Caroline Soto, Secre	tary

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 3.2.

AGENDA STATEMENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MEETING DATE: May 6, 2022

TO: Board of Directors

East Bay Regional Communications System Authority (EBRCSA)

FROM: Sheriff G. Ahern, Board Chair

East Bay Regional Communications System Authority

SUBJECT: EBRCSA FY 2022/2023 Administrative Budget Resolution

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution ratifying the Board of Directors May 6, 2022 adoption of the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Administrative Budget for the East Bay Regional Communications System Authority ("EBRCSA").

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

On May 6, 2022 the Board of Directors reviewed the proposed Fiscal Year 22/23 Administrative Budget, considered the presentation by Craig Boyer from the Alameda County Auditor's Office and the information in the accompanying staff report thereon, adopted the proposed Budget and directed the Executive Director to prepare a resolution ratifying the Board's action for its consideration at the June 3, 2022 meeting since the proposed resolution approving the FY 22/23 Administrative Budget was inadvertently left out of the Board's May agenda packet.

The Executive Director has prepared such a resolution for the Board's consideration.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDATION:

Board of Directors directed the Executive Director prepare a resolution ratifying its May 6, 2022 adoption of the FY 22/23 Administrative Budget for its consideration at the June 3, 2022 meeting.

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RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is recommended that the Board of Directors of the East Bay Regional Communications System Authority adopt a Resolution Ratifying its Adoption of the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Administrative Budget for the EBRCSA, as outlined in Exhibit A.

Attachments:

Exhibit: "A" Resolution Ratifying the Board's May 6, 2022 Adoption of the EBRCSA FY2022/2023 Budget

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RESOLUTION NO. 22-xx

RATIFYING THE BOARD'S ADOPTION OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023

WHEREAS, the East Bay Communications System Authority ("EBRCSA") Executive Director and the Alameda County Auditor-Controller's Office jointly prepared, and the EBRCSA Finance Committee reviewed and recommended, a proposed Administrative Budget for the EBRCSA for Fiscal Year 2022/2023; and

WHEREAS, on May 6, 2022, the Board of Directors of the EBRCSA reviewed and considered the proposed budget and the accompanying Staff Report, heard all comment thereon, and found good cause therefor to adopt the proposed Administrative Budget for Fiscal Year 2022/2023;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors directed the Executive Director to prepare a resolution ratifying its May 6, 2022 action adopting the Administrative Budget for Fiscal Year 2022/2023 for its consideration at the June 3, 2022 meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of the East Bay Regional Communications System Authority does hereby ratify its May 6, 2022 adoption of the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Administrative Budget for the EBRCSA, as outlined in Exhibit A to the May 6, 2022 Staff Report associated with the Administrative Budget.

On motion of xx, seconded by xx, the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted this 3rd day of June, 2022, by the following votes:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTENTIONS:
ABSENT:
ATTEST:
Caroline P. Soto, Administrative Assistant

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 3.3.

AGENDA STATEMENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING SPECIAL MEETING MEETING DATE: June 3, 2022

TO: Board of Directors

East Bay Regional Communications System Authority (EBRCSA)

FROM: Sheriff G. Ahern, Board Chair

East Bay Regional Communications System Authority

SUBJECT: Approval of Minutes of the May 6, 2022 Board of Directors Meeting

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Approve the minutes of the May 6, 2022 Board of Directors meeting.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The Board of Directors will consider approval of the minutes of the May 6, 2022 Board of Directors meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is recommended that the Board of Directors approve the minutes of the May 6, 2022 Board of Directors meeting.

Attachments:

Exhibit "A" – Minutes May 6, 2022

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

DATE: May 6, 2022

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Alameda County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Services,

Room 1013

4985 Broder Blvd., Dublin, CA 94568

DRAFT MINUTES

A Special meeting of the East Bay Regional Communications System Authority was held on Friday, May 6, 2022, remotely via Zoom Video Communications.

- 1. Closed Session: None.
- 2. Call to Order/Roll Call: 10:01 a.m.

Boardmembers Present: G. Ahern, C. Andersen, M. Casten, A. Ciaburro, J. Diaz, T. Dupuis, R. Freeman, C. Nice, M. Nino, S. Perkins, E. Reiskin, M. Roberts, M. Salinas, M. Shorr, C. Silva, L. Smith, K. Stepper, B. Woerner

Staff Present: T. McCarthy, C. Boyer, L. McKinney, C. Soto

- **3. Report on Closed Session:** None.
- 4. **Public Comments:** None.
- **5. Presentations:** None.
- 6. **Approval of Minutes**
 - 6.1 Approval of Minutes from the Board meetings of March 4, 2022 and April 1, 2022

On motion of Bm. Nice, seconded by Bm. Stepper and by unanimous vote, the Board approved the minutes of the March 4, 2022 and April 1, 2022 EBRCSA Regular Board meetings.

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- 7. Written Communications: None.
- **Public Hearings:** None.

9. <u>Action Items</u>:

9.1 Authorizing Purchase of Bay Alarm Camera Upgrade and Increased Monitoring Cost

Executive Director McCarthy presented the staff report and advised that Bay Alarm had recently advised him that seven of their cameras that provided surveillance at seven Authority sites will no longer function. They needed to be upgraded to 4G or 5G cameras. New features would include video archiving for 30 days and the ability for authorized-access view of live camera feed. The cost of the equipment, including tax, is \$28,455.00. The cost of monitoring is \$23,268.00 annually. The Authority currently has \$17,000 budgeted for security monitoring. This would need to be increased to \$23,268, as listed in the FY22/23 Budget.

On motion of Bm. Smith, second by Bm. Salinas and by unanimous vote, the Board for Directors adopted and implemented a budget adjustment to the FY 21/22 Budget to reflect the increase in cost of this purchase and the increase cost of monitoring.

9.2 Adoption of EBRCSA FY 2022/2023 Administrative Budget

Craig Boyer, Alameda County Auditor, stated in regard to the FY 22/23 budget, Revenues of \$8.8 million had gone up due to increased radio counts, monthly dues remained the same as the prior year; on the Expense side, with Operating expenses, they were up slightly over the current fiscal year by approximately \$60,000 due to increase in maintenance and utilities costs due to contract increases and increases in rates; Capital budget of \$1.9 mil based of capital projects that are budgeted for the year as well, as debt service of \$650,000 that is consistent with the current fiscal year. In terms of the budget for FY 22/23, for Expenses, for some line items, you can see in the attachments, additional breakdown such as for administration and maintenance, you can also see the listing of the capital projects that are part of the capital budget, as well. The attachments also include the projected Cash Reserve balances. Authority has a policy for three different types of Reserves: an Operating Reserve, a Debt Service Reserve, and a Capital Reserve. The Operating Reserve is 50% of Operating Expenditures from the prior fiscal year, calculated as described, the Debt Service reserve is consistent from year-to-year at \$1 million to ensure that they have liquidity to pay debt service costs, and any remaining unrestricted debt then goes into the Capital Reserves budgeted for future capital projects. The 10-Year Cash Flow projection takes a conservative approach where it is assumed member dues will not change from the current rates and it is shown across the ten years. For Expenditures, for the accounts where there are contracts in place, it is budgeted at the contract cost of over the ten-year period, otherwise a long-term inflation rate assumption of 3% for most other costs.

On motion of Bm. Silva, seconded by Bm. Stepper and by unanimous vote, the Board of Directors adopted the FY 22/23 Administrative Budget for the East Bay Regional Communications System Authority and directed the Executive Director to bring back to the Board a resolution that will certify this motion.

9.3 Consideration of Return to In-Person Meetings and Discontinuation of Adoption of AB 361 Findings

The Board of Directors discussed returning to in-person meetings of the Board and its Committees and discontinuing adopting of AB 361 findings. Efficiency was noted as one of the main reasons to continue the adoption of AB 361 findings for meetings. Comments were also made regarding the facility of using the hybrid technology of inperson and remote technology. A suggestion was also made to consider use of the Consent Calendar portion of the agenda for those items not controversial in nature.

By consensus, the Board of Directors agreed not to discontinue the Adoption of AB 361 findings, and continue to allow teleconference meetings. The appropriate resolution would be considered in Item 9.4, below.

9.4 Consideration of Implementation of AB 361 to Allow Teleconferenced Meeting

On motion of Bm. Silva, seconded by Bm. Stepper and by unanimous vote, the Board adopted Resolution No. 22-04 Authorizing Teleconference Meetings Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361 Effective May 6, 2022 through June 3, 2022.

10. <u>Committee Updates:</u>

10.1 Receive Informational Report on Recent Finance Committee Activities

Everything covered here was covered at the Finance Committee

10.2 Receive Informational Report on Recent Operations Committee Activities

Chair Ahern stated Executive Director McCarthy had provided information on the City of Antioch, Wiedemann Ranch Site, Carquinez site, biennial SUA, encryption requirements of radio system, MPLS project, TDMA, and update on 10-year plan.

11. Reports:

11.1 Receive an Update on the City of Antioch Site at Walton Lane

Executive Director McCarthy stated the work was moving forward. Unfortunately, there were supply chain issues up to six-month delays in getting equipment delivered. Walton Lane would be getting a generator and shelter may be delayed. He would return with more cost details as they become available.

11.2 Receive an Update on Biannual SUA II Update

Executive Director McCarthy stated this project included replacing 202 computers, and replacing all five servers which are part of the NICE recording system. The System recorded all radio traffic and maintained copies of that radio traffic. They were finalizing some routers and switches on the SUA. This would ensure the System was operating at its most efficient.

11.3 Receive an Update on Encryption

Executive Director McCarthy stated in terms of the encryption of all confidential information, there was consideration of a new Senate Bill, SB 1000 that states you cannot encrypt your main channel. It was a media driven bill because if channels are encrypted they do not know where police and fire are going. The bill will also be heard on Monday, May 9, 2022. DOJ is not considering SB 1000 and is still requiring agencies encrypt their channels. This is an issue for smaller dispatch center that have only one dispatcher that would have to monitor more than one channel.

11.4 Receive an Update on Ethernet/MPLS

Executive Director McCarthy stated the project has begun and they are working on getting all equipment asset tagged and staged at actual sites. The master site installs have been completed. They would be changing out microwaves, wave guides, radios, switches and routers. Unfortunately, they were two weeks behind schedule due to unanticipated personnel issues.

11.5 Receive an Update on TDMA – Time Division Multiple Access

Executive Director McCarthy stated they had finished all install and transitioned all the sites to TDMA. Some radios have not yet been flash upgraded so they were operating right now in the Dual Dynamic Mode. This allows the System to use the FDMA programmed radios and the TDMA programmed radios. They are not having any busies on the radios. Capacity has been doubled from 20,000 to 40,000 radios. There have been no service level impacts.

11.6 Receive an Update on 10-Year Plan for Capital Replacement Project

See item 11.4, above.

11.7 Receive an Update on the San Ramon Site at Wiedemann Ranch

Executive Director McCarthy stated City of San Ramon has an ordinance if a developer comes in and builds in an area where there is not adequate radio coverage, they are responsible to maintain 95% radio HIP coverage. Lennar is building a site at Wiedemann Ranch to maintain such coverage. The site will be built and then transferred over to EBRCSA.

11.8 Receive an Update on the Carquinez Site replacing 651 Pine St., Martinez

Executive Director McCarthy stated 651 Pine Street was the Contra Costa County seat and the building has been replaced. There was radio equipment on the roof and has now been moved to an EBRPD site. There is a temporary shelter and tower, and have now moved on to ATT Fiber. The old equipment will be used at the Walton Lane site.

- 12. Board Comments: None.
- 13. Next Action Steps: As noted in minutes.
- **Adjournment:** With no further business coming before the Board of Director, the meeting was adjourned at 10:58 a.m.