

# WASHOE COUNTY REGIONAL COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

## *P25 Joint Operating Committee*

Tracy Moore, Chair  
Ryan Sommers, Vice-chair  
Christine Vuletich, Secretary

### **Meeting Minutes**

**Friday, October 16, 2020**  
**Meeting held via teleconference.**

#### **1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL [Non-action item]**

The meeting was called to order at 11:05 a.m.

#### **Present:**

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| • City of Reno   | Rishma Khimji      |
| • City of Sparks   | Jim Reid           |
| • Nevada Air National Guard  | Todd Curtis        |
| • North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District                                    | Ryan Sommers       |
| • Reno Sparks Indian Colony  | Dave Hunkup        |
| • Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority   | Brent Finster      |
| • Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District/<br>Truckee Meadows Fire and Rescue | Chris Ketring      |
| • Truckee Meadows Water Authority  | Pat Neilson        |
| • UNR  | Ed Atwell          |
| • US Department of Veteran Affairs   | Bryan Boren        |
| • Washoe County  | Christine Vuletich |

#### **Absent:**

- US DEA (Vacant)
- Washoe County School District

Washoe County Assistant District Attorney David Watts-Vial was also present.

#### **2. PUBLIC COMMENTS [Non-action item]** – Comment heard under this item will be limited to three (3) minutes per person and may pertain to matters both on and off the P25 Radio System Joint Operating Committee agenda. The P25 Radio System Joint Operating Committee will also hear public comment during individual action items, with comment limited to three (3) minutes per person. Comments are to be made to the P25 Radio System Joint Operating Committee as a whole.

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3. **APPROVAL OF JULY 17, 2020 MEETING MINUTES** [For Possible Action] – Committee members may identify any additions or corrections to the draft minutes as transcribed.

Ryan Sommers, North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District, moved to approve the July 17, 2020, draft minutes as written; Jim Reid, City of Sparks, provided the second. There was no response to the call for Committee or public comment. Upon a call for a vote, the motion carried unanimously.

4. **APPOINTMENT OF TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER REPLACEMENT** [For Possible Action] – A review, discussion and possible action to appoint a new P25 Technical Advisory Committee member to complete the two-year term (July 17, 2020-July 16, 2022) currently filled by Jon Kelley, Washoe County School District.

Chair Moore recommend Austin Mills, Washoe County School District, to complete the term previously appointed to Jon Kelley. Rishma Khimji, City of Reno, moved to appoint Austin Mills as recommended to complete the term July 17, 2020-July 16, 2022. Christine Vuletich, Washoe County, provided the second. There was no response to the call for Committee or public comment. Upon a call for a vote, the motion carried unanimously.

5. **WCRCS P25 SYSTEM FINANCING AND COST ALLOCATION UPDATE** [For Discussion Only] – A review and discussion on the Washoe County Regional Communications System (WCRCS) P25 Radio system financing and cost allocation to P25 System members.

Lori Cooke, Budget Manager, Washoe County, Office of the County Manager, reviewed her presentation dated October 16, 2020, providing an overview of the NSRS P25 Financing process including the history, timeline, Washoe County and Washoe County Regional Communication System Infrastructure contributions, credit ratings, and financing interest rates. Due to the positive ratings from both Moody's and Standard and Poor's, the final interest rate was 1.38%, 58% less than originally estimated resulting in considerable savings over the life of the loan. Agencies would begin to see the invoices for the P25 system in November.

6. **NEVADA SHARED RADIO SYSTEM PROJECT UPDATE** [For Discussion Only] – A review and discussion on the progress of the Nevada Share Radio System project including discussion on project schedule and impacts of the project specific to the Washoe County Regional Communications System.

Quinn Korbolic, Washoe County Technology Services, reviewed his presentation dated October 16, 2020, providing an overview of the system implementation schedule, activities in Regional 2, change orders and system costs and payments. The Region 2 design phase has been delayed from September to December 2020. Detailed design review for Region 2 site buildout is underway. The site packages are very detailed and are prepared for both the greenfield and existing sites. Shawn Tayler, Washoe County Technology Services, share the packages are the result of several visits to the sites by L3Harris and subcontractors evaluating existing tower structures, conducting geologic surveys and planning for building design; evaluation of the packages are under evaluation.

The Change Orders noted serve as a way to memorialize the decisions made along the way. Largely, the costs have been budgeted for such as the combined \$7 million allocated for the Greenfield Sites and Microwave System. The Change Orders establish not to exceed amounts which help alleviated extra costs that may arise from unforeseen issues. Additionally, for those two items, the Change Order amount is less than the original budget allowing some flexibility for

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items that were not budgeted for such as the Smart Breaker Design. The Smart Breaker Design will allow the WCRCS team to both remotely monitor and switch back on a failed breaker.

7. **L3 HARRIS PRESENTATION ON END-USER RADIO EQUIPMENT** [For Possible Action] – An informational presentation and possible discussion of, including but not limited to, a trade-in incentive program from L3 Harris; radio purchases by each P25 System member agency in relation to contractual requirements under the Washoe County Contract with L3 Harris; and L3Harris' recent radio models.

Jayne Leighton, L3Harris, reviewed her presentation for the M7300 (XG-75M 2-CAN) Trade-in Program, Radio Purchases/Contractual Commitment, XL Series Family, dated September 17, 2020.

Three options were presented for the M7300 trade-in program. Of the contractual 5,097 radios, 1,234 had so far been purchased. Ms. Leighton reviewed the XL series of radios focusing on the feature distinctions of and options for the XL-150P, XL-185P, XL-200P, and the Rugged P25 Portable radios. She also presented a chart comparing the older XG models to the XL family.

8. **P25 RADIO SYSTEM JOINT OPERATING COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND/OR STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS, REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION AND SELECTION OF TOPICS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS** [Non-action item] – The next meeting of the P25 Radio System Joint Operating Committee is scheduled January 15, 2021.

Rishma Khimji, City of Reno, asked if discussion of the P25 debt schedules was planned for a future agenda item. Mr. Korbolic invited her to reach out to him with any questions on concerns.

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10. **ADJOURNMENT** [Non-action item]

The meeting adjourned at 11:54 a.m.

Approved as written in session January 15, 2021.