SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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FROM: Executive Office and RCIT

SUBMITTAL DATE:
July 21, 2011

SUBJECT: Cost of Radio Communication Improvements

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board:

1. Approve the use of $6.2 million from the Radio Replacement Fund for previously-approved safety radio lease costs;
2. Approve the use of $4.1 million cash freed up from the PSEC project to be used for previously approved Narrowbanding and Alessandro repairs and upgrades to the current radio system;
3. Approve the use previously - budgeted of the $1million from the general fund for safety radio lease costs.

BACKGROUND:

Since the last time a change was brought to the Board for approval, in June of 2010, the PSEC steering committee - made up of sheriff, fire, executive office, and RCIT staff - has identified three issues critical for future successful operations that are not PSEC capital expenses but that currently fall within the $148.3 million capital budget established by the Board. These expenses should be realigned out of the PSEC budget.

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Christopher Hans
Deputy CEO

Nathan J. Colodney
Chief Information Officer

FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	$ 11.3 million	In Current Year Budget:	Yes
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	$ 11.3 million	Budget Adjustment:	No
	Annual Net County Cost:	$	For Fiscal Year:	11/12

SOURCE OF FUNDS: General Fund ($1 million), Radio Replacement Fund ($6.2 million), Fund 30121 ($4.1 million)

Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	☐
Requires 4/5 Vote	☐

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

BY: _____
Bill Luna

County Executive Office Signature

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Prev. Agn. Ref.:	**District:** ALL	**Agenda Number:**

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BACKGROUND:

The vital Alessandro hub was shown to have a risk of possible hardware failure that could negatively impact operations. Secondly, upgrading Fire's hardware was required to allow it to communicate with the new system. Third, projected growth of the number of users left us short in one projection by 1,500 radios at a projected cost of about $8.9 million.

- On October 19, 2010 the Board approved the use of $1.5 million of PSEC funds to offset $2.9 million the Fire Department needed to complete the FCC required Narrowbanding project.

- The second non-PSEC cost is the upgrade of the 911 Communications facility. Though not related to the PSEC project, $1.7 million of PSEC funds have been committed to the upgrade, as well as an additional $833,333 from the Radio Replacement Fund, for a total of $2.5 million.

- On June 15, 2010 (M.O. 3.20) the Board of Supervisors approved the Fifth Amendment to the Motorola contract whereby the purchase of 3,200 radios was removed from the contract and a separate lease agreement with Motorola was entered into for radio leasing, resulting in a $14.2 million reduction to the Motorola contract. This allowed the County to lease the original 3,200 radios plus 1,500 additional radios needed (due to growth since the start of the project), thus deferring $8.9 million in additional radio purchases. Advance payments, totaling $7.3 million, were built into the PSEC construction budget. These post-production, operational costs are best tackled outside the construction budget.

None of these projects should be included in the PSEC budget. They are critical projects; indeed the Board has already approved them. However, they should be managed and funded as distinct and separate from PSEC construction.

FUNDING UPDATE

The cost of these 3 items totals $11.3 million. Funds have been identified to cover this cost. The radio replacement fund has $6.2 million available for these projects. The use of $2.7 million in DIF revenue for PSEC construction frees up a like amount of reserved cash. The reduction of $1.4 million in the construction budget frees up a like amount of reserved cash. Finally, $1.0 million is budgeted in the general fund for PSEC construction, but can be shifted to these three projects.