

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



ITEM
3.40
(ID # 6348)

MEETING DATE:

Tuesday, February 27, 2018


FROM : RIVERSIDE COUNTY INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY:

SUBJECT: RCIT - PUBLIC SAFETY ENTERPRISE COMMUNICATION: Internal Service Fund (ISF) rates for FY 2018/19, All Districts. [\$14,476,402 - 100% User Rates]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. That the Board of Supervisors approve the attached, proposed Public Safety Enterprise Communication (PSEC) Internal Service Fund (ISF) rates for FY 2018/19, as recommended by the PSEC Steering Committee and Riverside County Information Technology Department (RCIT).

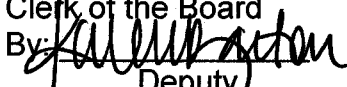
ACTION: Policy


Dave Rogers, Chief Information Officer 2/1/2018

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Perez, seconded by Supervisor Ashley and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Tavaglione, Washington, Perez and Ashley
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: February 27, 2018
xc: RCIT

Kecia Harper-Ihem
Clerk of the Board
By: 
Deputy

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

	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost:
COST	\$ 14,476,402	\$ 0	\$ 14,476,402	\$ 0
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: 100% User Charges			Budget Adjustment:	No
			For Fiscal Year:	2018/19

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: [CEO use]

BACKGROUND:

Summary


PSEC has been operating under flat monthly rates for regular and emergency only use subscribers for the past two years. For FY 2018/19, the department will maintain PSEC's Board Approved FY 17/18 service rates, which includes 18 rates for engineering work, system installations, data, etc. The proposed rates were approved by the PSEC Steering Committee during their regularly scheduled meeting on December 12, 2017.

Impact on Residents and Businesses

The PSEC system provides critical countywide communication among the various county and member city public safety agencies. This ensures the greatest level of safety and support for the residents of Riverside County.

ATTACHMENTS:

FY 18/19 Rate Guide


Chad Ashbaugh, Chairman of the PSEC Steering Committee 2/1/2018

PUBLIC SAFETY ENTERPRISE COMMUNICATIONS
FY 18/19 Riverside County PSEC Rate Guide

SERVICE DESCRIPTION	DEFINITION	FY 17/18 RATE	FY 18/19 RATE	UNIT	BUDGET ACCOUNT	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION
Data						
Modem - HPD	HPD: High Performance Data Radio	\$187.49	\$187.49	Per Modem per Month	520220	County Radio Systems
Console						
Device - Consolette	Monthly maintenance charge for consolette	\$196.99	\$196.99	Per Device per Month	520220	County Radio Systems
Device - Console	Monthly maintenance charge for consoles	\$196.99	\$196.99	Per Device per Month	520220	County Radio Systems
Subscriber						
Device - Emergency radio	Monthly charges for emergency radio use	33.17	33.17	Per Handheld per Month	520220	County Radio Systems
Device - Mobile radio	Monthly charges for the based radio unit	\$196.99	\$196.99	Per Handheld per Month	520220	County Radio Systems
Device - Portable radio	Monthly charges for the based radio unit	\$196.99	\$196.99	Per Device per Month	520220	County Radio Systems
Vehicle						
Vehicle Repairs	Material and Shipping		Actual Cost (Shipping & Materials)		521500	Maint-Motor Vehicle
Technician						
Technician Expert Time (during business hours)	Hourly shop and field radio, infrastructure, and microwave repair rate	\$65.59	\$65.59	Per Hour	520220	Technician Services
Technician Expert Time (after business hours)	After hours (overtime) shop and field radio, infrastructure, and microwave repair rate	\$73.13	\$73.13	Per Hour	520220	Technician Services
Microwave and Site						
Rack	Set rate for monthly full rack mount charge	\$409.01	\$409.01	Per Month	520280	Microwave
Half Rack	Set rate for monthly half rack mount charge	\$204.51	\$204.51	Per Month	520280	Microwave
Floor Space	Set rate for monthly square footage charge excluding rack space	\$409.01	\$409.01	Per Month	520280	Microwave
Antenna Mounted Lower	Set rate for monthly LMR antenna lower	\$300.00	\$300.00	Position of the antenna per month	520280	Microwave
Antenna Mounted Middle	Set rate for monthly LMR antenna middle	\$600.00	\$600.00	Position of the antenna per month	520280	Microwave
Antenna Mounted Top	Set rate for monthly LMR antenna top	\$900.00	\$900.00	Position of the antenna per month	520280	Microwave
Mile-T1	Monthly charge per T1 circuit mile	\$14.90	\$14.90	Per mile per month	520280	Microwave
Mile-Analog	Monthly charge per analog circuit mile for microwave transmission	\$0.94	\$0.94	Per mile per month	520280	Microwave
Application Fee	Application fee for FCC licensing or for permits	Actual Cost	Actual Cost	Per application	523220	Licenses And Permits
Technology Engineering						
Engineering Expert Time	Hourly rate to design, implement and/or maintain radio communication networks and infrastructure of Countywide Communication facilities	\$101.17	\$101.17	Per Hour	524820	Engineering Services
Engineering Expert Time - Overtime	Weekend or after-hours rate to design, implement and/or maintain radio communication networks and infrastructure of Countywide Communication facilities	\$108.61	\$108.61	Per Hour	524820	Engineering Services



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Honorable Kevin Jeffries

January 5, 2017

Riverside County Supervisor
BOS – District 1
County Administrative Center
4080 Lemon Street
Riverside, CA 92502

Dear Mr. Jeffries:

On behalf of the Radio & Television News Association of Southern California ("RTNA"), which represents most of the broadcast news outlets serving California, I write to urge the Board of Supervisors to abolish the paywall put in place when the County switched to an encrypted radio system.

I understand City News Service Inc. has been in contact with you, asking for a policy change that would make the Public Safety Enterprise Communication system ("PSEC") accessible without any fee requirements for media. We urge you support this position.

Monitoring police and fire activity is a large part of what our members do, and it hardly seems justifiable to make them pay for doing a job they've done for decades with no governmental interference.

The county now has spectrum under lock-and-key and is charging a subscription fee, where previously the press was free and unencumbered in performing its role.

It's one thing for media outlets to pay thousands of dollars for radios, and on top of that pay hundreds dollars more for the County to program them, but then make us pay just to listen?

The fact the County waives fees for some users of the network makes the practice all the more discriminatory with respect to the news outlets that serve the public. The fees charged to press representatives raise serious First Amendment issues. We urge the County to rescind the assessment of such fees.

Very truly yours,

Chris Little
President, RTNA &
News Director, KFI Radio

cc: Royal F. Oakes, Esq.
Patti Paniccia, Esq.

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Riverside County Supervisor Kevin Jeffries
BOS – District 1
County Administrative Center
4080 Lemon Street
Riverside, CA 92502



Mr. Jeffries,

The Southern California Broadcasters Association has been made aware of an effort, undertaken by City News Service Inc., to procure your support for abrogation of the Public Safety Enterprise Communication subscriber fees charged to media. SCBA fully endorses this effort.

Our members' news operations have had unfettered

access to public safety radio transmissions for decades. The advent of encryption has changed the reception paradigm, posing new challenges.

SCBA commends Riverside County for permitting media the opportunity to monitor the PSEC network, but our organization believes that the access fees are unjustifiable. If members are paying thousands of dollars for radios and paying the county to program them, why should they pay a monthly subscription?

As we understand it, the county is locking in contracts with user agencies in which fees are waived for years or dispensed with altogether. Media only monitor police and fire activity; they don't burden the bandwidth reserved for public safety. It stands to reason then that media are not creating any cost to the county in monitoring the PSEC system.

SCBA applauds all efforts to improve communication and the delivery of public safety services. But our organization sees no merit in strapping media with fees for performing their long-lived and essential information-gathering functions.

Sincerely,

Thom Callahan



Thom Callahan

President

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Attachments

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June 26, 2017

The Honorable John Tavaglione, Chairman
Riverside County Board of Supervisors
4080 Lemon Street, 5th Floor
Riverside, CA 92501

Dear Chairman Tavaglione:

It has come to my attention that Supervisor Jeffries has introduced a proposal that the Board of Supervisors is scheduled to revisit on July 11th that seeks to do away with fees that been imposed on media access to the Public Safety Enterprise Communications (PSEC) system.

We have worked closely together for years, and you know me as someone who has always advocated transparency and open government. That is the reason for my letter to you today.

I would like to express my wholehearted support for Supervisor Jeffries' proposal. The press has long had the ability to fully monitor public safety in our county, and I believe this has had the benefit of helping our law enforcement community gain the trust and support of our citizens.

When I had the privilege of serving on the Board of Supervisors, I became very familiar with PSEC when it came on line. As you know, this system has allowed the public and the press to keep pace with current events on a real-time basis. That fact alone makes continued public access to the PSEC system an important point as you discuss the current proposal.

I have been made aware that there have been several upgrades to the PSEC system – encryption being one of the prime examples. However, I believe encryption should not exclude members of the press from access to the system.

It has also come to my attention that there is now a fee associated with accessing the PSEC system, and I believe that runs contrary to our original intent when we sought to allow the public and the media to have a transparent portal into our public safety infrastructure in the county.

**The Honorable John Tavaglione, Chairman
Riverside County Board of Supervisors**

June 26, 2017

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My understanding of the proposal being put forth by Supervisor Jeffries is that the new policy will restore media access to a system that has built a trust among the public, our law enforcement community and the media that reports on activities of front-line public safety officers who put their lives on the line every day to keep us safe.

As a State Senator who has fought for transparency in the Legislature and a former County Supervisor who supported open government at the county-level, I am hopeful that you and your fellow Board Members agree to Supervisor Jeffries' proposal to restore full media access to the PSEC system.

Thank you for considering my input, and please feel free to call me at your convenience with any questions about this or any other matter.

Sincerely,

Jeff Stone
State Senator, 28th District

CC: Supervisor Kevin Jeffries
Supervisor Chuck Washington
Supervisor Victor Manuel Perez
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July 6, 2017

The Honorable Kevin Jeffries
Riverside County Board of Supervisors
4080 Lemon Street, 5th Floor
Riverside, CA 92501

Dear Supervisor Jeffries:

I was recently made aware of your proposal seeking to end the county's current policy of charging media for access to the Public Safety Enterprise Communication system, on which sheriff's broadcasts and several municipal police departments' transmissions are now carried.

In the interest of open government, I support this proposed change.

I understand that the county has required media organizations to pay monthly fees, which can be as high as \$37, to monitor a few main talk channels on PSEC. It has been related to me that since the system went live more than three years ago, news organizations have had to purchase radios that cost upwards of \$4,000 and then also pay to have them programmed by the county before they can connect to PSEC. In light of these costs, questions arise as to what the justification is for the fee imposed on media organizations. Media are not leasing equipment, and they are not actively using the encrypted system; they are only trying to listen to feeds. The fee requirement seems excessive and could be viewed as a barrier to the press's access to the operations of public safety agencies within the county.

In monitoring events as they occur, the press is able to keep the community informed and help maintain a connection between the public and the law enforcement agencies whose officers work every day to protect us. For these reasons, I hope that on July 11, the Board will vote in favor of dispensing with the fees.

Thank you for bringing this proposal forward. I appreciate you and your colleagues' consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Morrell".

Mike Morrell
State Senator, 23rd District

CC:
Chairman John Tavaglione
Supervisor Chuck Washington, 3rd District
Supervisor V. Manuel Perez, 4th District
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BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE NO. 5
ON PUBLIC SAFETY

July 5, 2017

Hon. John F. Tavaglione, Chairman
County of Riverside
4080 Lemon Street - 5th Floor
Riverside, California 92501

RE: Public Safety Enterprise Communication System

Dear Chairman Tavaglione:

I was recently informed the Board of Supervisors will reconsider a proposal by Supervisor Jeffries to free media from fees to access the county's Public Safety Enterprise Communication (PSEC) system. I fully support this effort.

There is no doubt as to the advantages of PSEC and its benefit to our sheriff's department, along with other participating agencies. But while the system moved the county forward in a number of ways, it also closed off accessibility by the general public through signal encryption.

Although the county offers media outlets the opportunity to monitor PSEC talk-groups, the costs are exorbitant. As I understand, it requires an investment in excess of \$4,000 to procure one radio and have it programmed by RCIT. Then there is a monthly access fee of at least \$32 that media are expected to pay. What is the justification?

One of the media's jobs is monitoring public safety activity. That should be permitted without a government paywall.

I believe Mr. Jeffries' proposal is about removing a barrier to open government and strengthening press freedom. I hope you feel the same way and that my position is among those you will consider in reaching a decision.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Melissa A. Melendez".

Melissa A. Melendez
Assemblywoman, 67th District

Cc: Hon. Chuck Washington, Vice Chairman
Hon. Kevin Jeffries, Supervisor
Hon. V. Manuel Perez, Supervisor
Hon. Marion Ashley, Supervisor

**Riverside County Board of Supervisors
Request to Speak**

Submit request to Clerk of Board (right of podium),
Speakers are entitled to three (3) minutes, subject
Board Rules listed on the reverse side of this form.

SPEAKER'S NAME: PAUL J. YOUNG

Address: _____
(only if follow-up mail response requested)

City: RIVERSIDE **Zip:** 92506

Phone #: (918) 359-8245

Date: 2-27-18 **Agenda #** 3.40

PLEASE STATE YOUR POSITION BELOW:

Position on "Regular" (non-appealed) Agenda Item:

Support **Oppose** **Neutral**

Note: If you are here for an agenda item that is filed
for "Appeal", please state separately your position on
the appeal below:

Support **Oppose** **Neutral**

I give my 3 minutes to: _____

BOARD RULES

Requests to Address Board on "Agenda" Items:

You may request to be heard on a published agenda item. Requests to be heard must be submitted to the Clerk of the Board before the scheduled meeting time.

Requests to Address Board on items that are "NOT" on the Agenda:

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these rules, member of the public shall have the right to address the Board during the mid-morning "Oral Communications" segment of the published agenda. Said purpose for address must pertain to issues which are under the direct jurisdiction of the Board of Supervisors. YOUR TIME WILL BE LIMITED TO THREE (3) MINUTES.

Power Point Presentations/Printed Material:

Speakers who intend to conduct a formalized Power Point presentation or provide printed material must notify the Clerk of the Board's Office by 12 noon on the Monday preceding the Tuesday Board meeting, insuring that the Clerk's Office has sufficient copies of all printed materials and at least one (1) copy of the Power Point CD. Copies of printed material given to the Clerk (by Monday noon deadline) will be provided to each Supervisor. If you have the need to use the overhead "Elmo" projector at the Board meeting, please insure your material is clear and with proper contrast, notifying the Clerk well ahead of the meeting, of your intent to use the Elmo.

Individual Speaker Limits:

Individual speakers are limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes. Please step up to the podium when the Chairman calls your name and begin speaking immediately. Pull the microphone to your mouth so that the Board, audience, and audio recording system hear you clearly. Once you start speaking, the "green" podium light will light. The "yellow" light will come on when you have one (1) minute remaining. When you have 30 seconds remaining, the "yellow" light will begin flash, indicating you must quickly wrap up your comments. Your time is up when the "red" light flashes. The Chairman adheres to a strict three (3) minutes per speaker. **Note: If you intend to give your time to a "Group/Organized Presentation", please state so clearly at the very bottom of the reverse side of this form.**

Group/Organized Presentations:

Group/organized presentations with more than one (1) speaker will be limited to nine (9) minutes at the Chairman's discretion. The organizer of the presentation will automatically receive the first three (3) minutes, with the remaining six (6) minutes relinquished by other speakers, as requested by them on a completed "Request to Speak" form, and clearly indicated at the front bottom of the form.

Addressing the Board & Acknowledgement by Chairman:

The Chairman will determine what order the speakers will address the Board, and will call on all speakers in pairs. The first speaker should immediately step to the podium and begin addressing the Board. The second speaker should take up a position in one of the chamber aisles in order to quickly step up to the podium after the preceding speaker. This is to afford an efficient and timely Board meeting, giving all attendees the opportunity to make their case. Speakers are prohibited from making personal attacks, and/or using coarse, crude, profane or vulgar language while speaking to the Board members, staff, the general public and/or meeting participants. Such behavior, at the discretion of the Board Chairman may result in removal from the Board Chambers by Sheriff Deputies.