

City of Culver City, California
City Council Agenda Item Report

Meeting Date: 12/12/05		Item Number: <u>A-5</u>	
AGENDA ITEM: Appointment of City Councilmember Liaison to Interagency Communications Interoperability System (ICIS) Program.			
Contact Person/Dept.: Jeff Eastman, Fire Chief		Phone Number: (310) 253-5915	
Fiscal Impact: Yes ☒ No ☐		General Fund: Yes ☒ No ☐	
Public Hearing: ☐		Action Item: ☒ Attachments: ☐	
Public Notification: Master Notification List (12/07/05)			
Department Approval: Jeff Eastman (11/30/05)		CAO Approval: Martin Cole for Jerry Fulwood (12/06/05)	
City Controller Approval: Marlee Chang (12/06/05)			

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council appoint one City Councilmember as liaison to the ICIS program to participate in meetings regarding matters related to ICIS at the Federal, State, and local levels.

BACKGROUND:

The Culver City Fire Department has sought City Council approval for a number of issues related to the ICIS program. To-date, approval has been received for the following:

- On August 4, 2005, the City Council authorized a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) with several other Cities in Los Angeles County in order to establish the Interagency Communications Interoperability System (ICIS).
- On October 24, 2005, the City Council appropriated several significant grant funds to allow the Fire Department to upgrade our existing radio system and to install infrastructure to support ICIS.
- On October 24, 2005, the City Council approved the contract award for the ICIS upgrade of the City's radio system to Motorola, Inc.

Tonight, in addition to this staff report, the issue of participating in the ICIS joint resolution of City Councils of each ICIS participating agency is also scheduled for review/approval. This resolution would be most effective when seeking Federal, State, and local funds.

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DISCUSSION:

The Culver City Fire Department is actively involved in the ICIS Governance Board and legislation subcommittee. There will be various opportunities for the City to send a City Council liaison to participate in meetings and conferences related to ICIS at the Federal, State and local level. In addition, the liaison would be available to meet with Federal, State and local legislators and lobbyists on behalf of the ICIS program.

The City of Culver City has complete confidence in the ICIS program. The City has fully participated in both the concept and organizational governance board and committees and is currently in the process of installing infrastructure to support ICIS with recently purchased radio equipment. Designating a City Council appointee to act as liaison in the ICIS program would complete the City of Culver City's full support and participation in the ICIS program.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

Costs and expenses will depend on the nature (quantity and location) of meetings, which are scheduled by ICIS representatives as deemed necessary. There will be little cost, if any, associated with local travel, however, travel to Sacramento and Washington D.C., will require funding.

It is uncertain whether the travel cost will occur; however, if the City Council liaison is available to attend the meeting, the funding will be from either City Council or Fire Department budget.

ATTACHMENTS:

None.

MOTION:

That the City Council:

Appoint one City Councilmember as liaison to the ICIS program.