



# Los Angeles County Commission on Local Governmental Services

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## **MINUTES**

May 2, 2006 Meeting  
500 West Temple Street  
Sybil Brand Conference Room 372  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Chairperson Rosenthal called the meeting to order at 9:21 a.m.

### **APPROVAL OF MARCH 7, 2006 MINUTES**

**On motion of Commissioner Leiga, seconded by Chairperson Rosenthal, the Commission unanimously approved the March 7, 2006 Minutes.**

### **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

- Chairperson Rosenthal reported Commissioner Coombs resigned from the Commission.

### **UPDATE ON THE "911" RESPONSE SYSTEM**

Tom Prigatano, Supervisor, Los Angeles Communication Center, provided a brief summary of the LAPD wireless facility. Chairperson Rosenthal questioned which entity has oversight over the entire facility. Mr. Prigatano advised the Department of General Services Department. Chairperson Rosenthal questioned the capabilities of equipment in the new facility. Mr. Prigatano advised the telephone systems have been upgraded to improve the efficiency of 911 calls and integrated mapping will be installed upon occupancy.

Ella Sotelo, 911 County Coordinator, reported Phase II cell tower and location of the caller can now be identified. Commissioner Leiga inquired as to the progress of the Phase II rollout. Ms. Sotelo reported there's an 85% compliance rate in Los Angeles County with wireless providers for the Phase II rollout. Chairperson Rosenthal asked why Culver City and Long Beach have yet to join the wireless implementation plan. Ms. Sotelo reported Culver City has equipment upgrade issues and Long Beach has an issue with staffing. Ms. Sotelo stated LAPD has a superb mapping system which plots Phase I and Phase II calls and will complete its roll out by December 2006.

In response to Chairperson Rosenthal, Ms. Sotelo advised VOIP service providers are mandated by law to provide a land address. Chairperson Rosenthal mentioned wireless VOIP laptops do not provide as much information as cell phones providers. Commissioner Pak questioned the impact to residents in areas where the 911 response system is not implemented. Ms. Sotelo advised these areas are treated as Phase II calls and are routed to CHP. Consequently, due to the high volume of calls received by CHP, delays in answering calls become a potential problem.

Ms. Sotelo reported that the Sheriff's Department is concerned with jurisdictional and mapping issues and is leery of becoming the screening agent for CHP. Chairperson

Rosenthal questioned which agency is responsible for responding to 911 calls in contract cities. Mr. Prigatano reported contract cities with the upgraded 911 response system are serviced through the Sheriff's Department and contract cities without the upgraded 911 response system are handled through CHP. In lieu of budget/administrative issues, CHP is experiencing challenges in recruiting and retaining staff. Presently, CHP is understaffed and needs additional operators to answer calls. In response to Chairperson Rosenthal, Mr. Prigatano advised that all CHP operators are civilians.

### **STUDY COMMITTEE AND TASK FORCE STATUS REPORT**

Chairperson Rosenthal reported the City of Los Angeles is interested in working with the Commission on the proposed Taxi Cab study. The major issues considered are safety and licensing. Taxi service in the City of Los Angeles is very poor and revenue sharing is the major issue with most jurisdictions in the City/County of Los Angeles. For instance, other areas with multiple jurisdictions (e.g. Chicago and Washington D.C.) have established a standard Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) addressing revenue sharing, licensing, safety, tourism and lodging.

### **MATTERS NOT ON THE POSTED AGENDA (TO BE PRESENTED AND PLACED ON THE AGENDA FOR A FUTURE MEETING)**

There were none.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were none.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:47 a.m.

### **ATTENDANCE**

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Jeanne Breunig  
Gordon Gray  
Patricia Gray  
Rod Guerra, Jr.  
Algird Leiga  
Erin Pak  
Richard Rosenthal  
William Selditz

#### **MEMBERS NOT PRESENT**

Shana Epstein  
Rod Guerra, Jr.  
Sharon Martinez  
Matthew Parlow  
Erin Pak  
Angela Reddock  
Kenneth Rozell  
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Joyce Streator

#### **STAFF**

Peter Papadakis  
Garen Khachian

### **GUESTS**

Ella Sotelo, 911 County Coordinator  
Tom Prigatano, Supervisor, Los Angeles Communication Center  
Ron Morales, Los Angeles County Chief Administrative Office