

NEXT GENERATION PROJECT April 2019 Governing Board UPDATE:

- MERA began advertising the Low-Income Senior Homeowner Parcel Tax Exemption for 2020 in March. We will be issuing two additional media releases on April 24 and May 13 and the application deadline is June 1, 2019. Low-Income eligibility for 2018 is \$82,200 and more information can be found on the MERA website: <u>www.meraonline.org</u>
- MERA staff are highly aware of the need to expedite the Project efforts. The draft Subsequent EIR is currently under review. DPW is working with dual teams from Motorola regarding fast-tracking installation plans so construction can proceed upon completion of CEQA and final Design Review. A more detailed schedule expected in August 2019.
- Motorola Legacy System support letter, which expires April 16, 2019 has been re-issued extending that support for another year. Legacy System boards are being worked on and tested, and no communication system interruptions are expected in the process.
- A draft policy will be presented at the Governing Board's April meeting to establish return procedures including development of a cache of donated radios for member agency use. All current System radios are Member Agency assets. Returned radios will be inventoried, deprogrammed, de-encrypted, returned to members if requested or accepted as cache donations.

Our MERA team relies on the input and participation of all of our 25 member agencies! Please be sure to share the above Project update with others at your agency.

Questions? Contact Deputy Executive Officer for the Next Gen System David Jeffries at <u>dave@jeffriespsc.com</u>

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