

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 09, 2025**

MINUTE ORDER NO. 2

**SUBJECT: SHERIFF - REQUEST APPROVAL FOR SINGLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT
OF STANDARD RADIO EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

The Sheriff's Office Wireless Services Division (WSD) manages the radio communications equipment and the wireless radio networks used by the County of San Diego (County). As the County's subject matter experts in radio equipment, WSD provides guidance to the Sheriff's Office and other County departments during the procurement process. This ensures that all radio equipment is configured consistently and appropriately to meet the operational needs of County users. This includes the Regional Communications System, a wireless radio communications network utilized by the County and by public safety and public service agencies throughout the region. These networks provide users with a reliable communication method for use in performance of their duties to efficiently serve the public. Due to the need for consistency of configuration, training, efficiency, safety, and interoperability, the procurement of radios and accessories from specific manufacturers is necessary.

Today's actions authorize the Director of Purchasing and Contracting to issue manufacturer's single source competitive procurement(s) for P25 phase 2 portable and mobile radios and related accessories from manufacturers including L3Harris, Kenwood, Bendix-King, and Tait. If approved, the Sheriff's Office and other County departments or offices will have access to these contracts on an as needed basis.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

SHERIFF

In accordance with Board Policy A-87, Competitive Procurement, approve and authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to acquire brand named equipment manufactured by L3Harris, Kenwood, Bendix-King, and Tait, through manufacturer's single source competitive procurement(s) for various radio equipment in specific configurations for use on the Regional Communications System and other County networks; and, subject to successful negotiations and a determination of fair and reasonable price, award contracts for up to five years, with an additional six months if needed, and to amend the contracts as needed to reflect changes and enhancements in product models, service level requirements, and funding.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The Regional Communications System (RCS) radio network is a critical infrastructure that supports most public safety and public service agencies across the San Diego region. Approval of this request ensures the continued reliability and effectiveness of regional operations and communications, enabling uninterrupted, high-quality services for all residents. The County of San Diego serves a diverse range of communities, many of whom depend on seamless communication between agencies for their safety and well-being. Maintaining continuity of communications across jurisdictions is essential to equitably support these communities and uphold public trust. This investment reinforces the County's commitment to inclusive, responsive, and coordinated service delivery throughout the region.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed action to acquire specific standard issued radio communications equipment for public safety and public service agencies throughout the region contributes to County of San Diego Sustainability Goals related to equity and waste reduction. Delivering public safety communications services with a consistency of configuration, training, safety, efficiency, and interoperability for everyone in San Diego County fosters trust and increases transparency. Approval of this request aids the County in pursuing its Sustainability goal of providing just and equitable access to programs and services and protecting the health and well-being of residents. The County would be able to procure proven equipment that allows staff to provide for the residents who rely on public safety and public service programs provided by the County.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with the requested action in the current fiscal year. The contracts that will be issued to different manufacturers or distributors to purchase radios and accessories will be used as needed. Estimated contract costs up to \$260,000 are included in the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Operational Plan for the Sheriff's Office. Subsequent year costs will be included in future Operational Plans for the Sheriff's Office. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years. The resulting contracts may be used on an as-needed basis by other County departments or offices. Funding will be from charges to participating County departments' or offices' respective budgets that use this equipment.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Montgomery Steppe, seconded by Supervisor Lawson-Remer, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Aguirre, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

State of California)
County of San Diego) §

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Original entered in the Minutes of the Board of Supervisors.

ANDREW POTTER
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors



Signed
by Andrew Potter

