

0:0:0.0 --> 0:0:0.620

Neal, Barbara

OK.

0:0:1.160 --> 0:0:2.170

Neal, Barbara

Good morning everyone.

0:0:2.180 --> 0:0:10.690

Neal, Barbara

I'm calling this meeting of the Public Safety Communications Task force to order its 902 on October 20, 2023, and I'm Barbara Neil.

0:0:11.700 --> 0:0:14.70

Neal, Barbara

As a reminder, the meeting, there's Jim.

0:0:14.80 --> 0:0:14.600

Neal, Barbara

Good morning, Jim.

0:0:15.920 --> 0:0:22.890

Neal, Barbara

As a reminder, the meeting is being recorded and the recording will be posted on the Task force web page following the meeting.

0:0:23.400 --> 0:0:28.170

Neal, Barbara

So let's start with a roll call of Task Force members.

0:0:28.660 --> 0:0:32.290

Neal, Barbara

I can see most everybody it looks like so good morning, Commissioner Morrison.

0:0:31.630 --> 0:0:34.210

Morrison, Jennifer

Uh, we have to do it by voice, I've been told.

0:0:33.610 --> 0:0:35.590

Neal, Barbara

Ohh, OK.

0:0:35.650 --> 0:0:37.480

Neal, Barbara

Commissioner Morrison, are you here?

0:0:38.140 --> 0:0:39.50

Morrison, Jennifer

Roger that.

0:0:39.100 --> 0:0:39.540

Morrison, Jennifer
I'm here.

0:0:39.590 --> 0:0:41.560

Neal, Barbara
OK, Paul white.

0:0:42.420 --> 0:0:42.620

White, Paul
Here.

0:0:43.890 --> 0:0:44.530

Neal, Barbara
Michael Wright.

0:0:45.580 --> 0:0:46.100

Michael Wright
I am here.

0:0:47.330 --> 0:0:48.160

Neal, Barbara
Mike Dungeness.

0:0:56.340 --> 0:0:58.130

Neal, Barbara
Say can see Mike on the screen and.

0:0:58.790 --> 0:1:1.510

Audet, Cally
It looks like he just logged back in with a different.

0:1:1.940 --> 0:1:2.330

Mike D
Yeah.

0:1:2.580 --> 0:1:2.870

Neal, Barbara
Yep.

0:1:2.340 --> 0:1:4.630

Mike D
Sorry, I got booted somehow when you guys started the recording.

0:1:4.640 --> 0:1:7.410

Mike D
I don't know if they are correlated, but as soon as you started recording I got booted.

0:1:7.420 --> 0:1:7.940

Mike D

So I'm back.

0:1:8.510 --> 0:1:9.80

Neal, Barbara

OK.

0:1:9.130 --> 0:1:11.720

Neal, Barbara

Good morning, Mike, Ron kummetz.

0:1:12.660 --> 0:1:12.880

Mike D

Alright.

0:1:12.690 --> 0:1:13.290

Ron Kumetz (Guest)

I am here.

0:1:14.10 --> 0:1:15.720

Neal, Barbara

Good morning and Jim, Matt.

0:1:16.930 --> 0:1:17.470

James Mack

I'm here.

0:1:18.800 --> 0:1:19.540

Neal, Barbara

OK, great.

0:1:19.550 --> 0:1:24.310

Neal, Barbara

So and also joining us is Callie Audette for our administrative support.

0:1:26.610 --> 0:1:27.90

Neal, Barbara

Let's see.

0:1:29.120 --> 0:1:31.430

Neal, Barbara

Members of the public that are with us.

0:1:31.440 --> 0:1:39.920

Neal, Barbara

Uh, let me call your name or your phone number and I'll give you an opportunity to introduce yourselves and any affiliation you care to share with us.

0:1:40.590 --> 0:1:46.730

Neal, Barbara

So Steve and I, I, Steven Whittaker, I believe this is you ending in 6687, if you like to introduce yourself.

0:1:48.350 --> 0:1:48.860

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Nonaffiliated.

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Steve Whittaker.

0:1:51.110 --> 0:1:52.0

Neal, Barbara

Good morning, Steven.

0:1:52.150 --> 0:1:52.510

Neal, Barbara

Yeah.

0:1:52.550 --> 0:1:54.560

Neal, Barbara

Good morning, Derek.

0:1:56.720 --> 0:1:59.950

Darek Wiczorek

Good morning Derek Dietrich with Altaris technology partners.

0:2:0.460 --> 0:2:1.20

Darek Wiczorek

Don't affiliate.

0:2:3.180 --> 0:2:3.940

Neal, Barbara

Good morning, Derek.

0:2:5.760 --> 0:2:6.620

Neal, Barbara

Philip sisk.

0:2:7.350 --> 0:2:8.30

Phillip Sisk

Hey, good morning.

0:2:8.140 --> 0:2:9.630

Phillip Sisk

Phil Sisk with mission critical partners.

0:2:10.800 --> 0:2:12.660

Neal, Barbara

Morning and Richard Townsend.

0:2:14.50 --> 0:2:16.710

Richard Townend

Good morning Richard Townend with AI Terrace Technology partners.

0:2:17.550 --> 0:2:18.20

Neal, Barbara

Good morning.

0:2:18.30 --> 0:2:19.160

Neal, Barbara

Thanks for joining us.

0:2:20.90 --> 0:2:24.130

Neal, Barbara

Any other member of the public wants to introduce themselves.

0:2:24.590 --> 0:2:25.300

Neal, Barbara

I see.

0:2:25.370 --> 0:2:28.60

Neal, Barbara

I see a Lori Hoskins has just joined us.

0:2:28.70 --> 0:2:29.310

Neal, Barbara

Would you care to introduce yourself?

0:2:30.890 --> 0:2:32.130

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Jeff Burnham, Springfield police.

0:2:34.300 --> 0:2:34.600

Neal, Barbara

OK.

0:2:36.110 --> 0:2:36.960

Neal, Barbara

Thanks for joining us.

0:2:38.960 --> 0:2:39.710

Neal, Barbara

All right.

0:2:40.180 --> 0:2:42.220

Neal, Barbara

Anyone else from the public that I may have missed?

0:2:45.960 --> 0:2:47.60

Neal, Barbara

OK, great.

0:2:47.910 --> 0:2:59.300

Neal, Barbara

So moving on to approval of the agenda, so the agenda was distributed to Task Force members earlier this week, I believe, and it is also available on our website to Task Force members.

0:2:59.310 --> 0:3:0.830

Neal, Barbara

Have any changes to the agenda?

0:3:7.440 --> 0:3:8.640

Morrison, Jennifer

Umm well.

0:3:7.330 --> 0:3:8.820

Neal, Barbara

No, I see.

0:3:11.660 --> 0:3:14.840

Morrison, Jennifer

I think that I would like to move new business.

0:3:16.930 --> 0:3:27.230

Morrison, Jennifer

To just after uh pilot project considerations and goal discussions before we potentially move to executive session.

0:3:29.870 --> 0:3:30.90

Neal, Barbara

OK.

0:3:33.0 --> 0:3:34.250

Neal, Barbara

Anybody else have any?

0:3:34.450 --> 0:3:35.580

Neal, Barbara

Proposed changes.

0:3:40.390 --> 0:3:41.110

Neal, Barbara

All right.

0:3:41.640 --> 0:3:48.730

Neal, Barbara

So uh is there's a motion then to move new business to just after pilot projects and goals.

0:3:50.530 --> 0:3:51.250

James Mack

I'll second that.

0:3:49.970 --> 0:3:51.760

Neal, Barbara

I should have said, is there a motion?

0:3:51.810 --> 0:3:52.570

Neal, Barbara

OK.

0:3:53.270 --> 0:3:55.940

Neal, Barbara

Thank you, Jim, any discussion?

0:3:58.510 --> 0:3:58.940

Neal, Barbara

OK.

0:3:58.990 --> 0:4:0.700

Neal, Barbara

All in favor of the agenda change?

0:4:0.710 --> 0:4:3.790

Neal, Barbara

Please indicate by raising your hand or saying aye or both.

0:4:5.710 --> 0:4:6.150

Ron Kumetz (Guest)

I.

0:4:5.750 --> 0:4:6.200

Michael Wright

I.

0:4:5.790 --> 0:4:6.790

James Mack

Alright, alright.

0:4:5.600 --> 0:4:7.290

Neal, Barbara

All right, I see.

0:4:7.440 --> 0:4:7.940

Neal, Barbara

All.

0:4:8.320 --> 0:4:12.210

Neal, Barbara

Task Force Member hands are up except.

0:4:12.220 --> 0:4:12.950

Neal, Barbara

Ohh, there's Michael.

0:4:12.960 --> 0:4:18.790

Neal, Barbara

OK, including Michael ripe, the agenda has been amended.

0:4:21.420 --> 0:4:25.610

Neal, Barbara

So now the trick is remembering that I made that that we made that move.

0:4:25.620 --> 0:4:30.700

Neal, Barbara

So I'm sure I'm sure I'll help help with that memory care.

0:4:31.130 --> 0:4:34.400

Neal, Barbara

Alright, so approval of the minutes.

0:4:34.410 --> 0:4:39.30

Neal, Barbara

So there are two sets of minutes ready for approval.

0:4:40.530 --> 0:4:45.980

Neal, Barbara

I'm going to take them one at a time because I know I was absent for one meeting and I think maybe others were.

0:4:45.990 --> 0:4:48.840

Neal, Barbara

So let's cover them separately.

0:4:49.110 --> 0:4:56.740

Neal, Barbara

So the minutes were distributed to Task force members and are also available on our web page.

0:4:56.990 --> 0:5:7.750

Neal, Barbara

Are there any corrections to the meetings to the Minutes rather from the regular meeting #10 on October 12th, 2023?

0:5:13.490 --> 0:5:17.840

Neal, Barbara

Hearing none, is there a motion to approve the Minutes from that meeting?

0:5:20.780 --> 0:5:21.580

White, Paul

I'll I'll move approval.

0:5:21.90 --> 0:5:29.60

Morrison, Jennifer

I will make a motion to approve the Minutes as presented of regular meeting #10 dated October 12th, 2023.

0:5:29.710 --> 0:5:30.930

White, Paul

Second all.

0:5:31.170 --> 0:5:33.220

Neal, Barbara

I'll second thank you any discussion.

0:5:36.590 --> 0:5:51.380

Neal, Barbara

OK, I'm going to abstain from this vote because I wasn't there and haven't had a chance to review the recording, but all in favor of approving the minutes from October 12th.

0:5:51.690 --> 0:5:52.330

Neal, Barbara

Raise your hand.

0:5:53.120 --> 0:5:53.480

James Mack

Alright.

0:5:54.140 --> 0:6:1.750

Neal, Barbara

OK, I see Ron, Paul, Jen, Jim, and Michael.

0:6:1.820 --> 0:6:3.550

Neal, Barbara

All have their hands up and I will abstain.

0:6:4.730 --> 0:6:5.490

Neal, Barbara

I'll set Cali.

0:6:5.530 --> 0:6:7.880

Mike D

Then this is me as well.

0:6:7.890 --> 0:6:9.160

Mike D

So sorry, Mike Douglas.

0:6:9.370 --> 0:6:10.200

Neal, Barbara

Oh, I'm sorry, Mike.

0:6:10.250 --> 0:6:11.80

Neal, Barbara

I'm sorry I missed you.

0:6:10.510 --> 0:6:11.290

Morrison, Jennifer

Both mikes.

0:6:11.90 --> 0:6:14.630

Neal, Barbara

Yep, both mikes have voted in the in favor.

0:6:14.680 --> 0:6:23.350

Neal, Barbara

OK, so let's move on now to the meeting minutes from the special meeting on October 17th.

0:6:23.500 --> 0:6:26.130

Neal, Barbara

Are there any corrections to those minutes?

0:6:30.430 --> 0:6:31.420

Morrison, Jennifer

A Madam Chair.

0:6:31.430 --> 0:6:36.420

Morrison, Jennifer

I'm going to move that we delay approval of those.

0:6:36.430 --> 0:6:44.490

Morrison, Jennifer

I've not had an opportunity to read them, so if we could move those to our next regular meeting, that would be preferable to me.

0:6:47.550 --> 0:6:50.290

Neal, Barbara

Is there a second on that motion?

0:6:51.210 --> 0:6:51.660

White, Paul

Uh, sure.

0:6:51.670 --> 0:6:52.770

White, Paul

If it's emotional, second it.

0:6:54.790 --> 0:6:55.120

Neal, Barbara

OK.

0:6:55.130 --> 0:6:55.830

Neal, Barbara

Any discussion?

0:6:59.410 --> 0:7:7.380

Neal, Barbara

All in favor of moving the approval of the October 17th special meeting minutes to the next regular meeting.

0:7:7.690 --> 0:7:9.450

Neal, Barbara

Raise your hand and or say aye.

0:7:11.930 --> 0:7:16.20

Neal, Barbara

Alrighty, looks like we have everyone in favor.

0:7:16.90 --> 0:7:16.730

Neal, Barbara

Yep. OK.

0:7:18.80 --> 0:7:18.530

Neal, Barbara

All right.

0:7:18.540 --> 0:7:20.310

Neal, Barbara

We will move those to the next regular meeting.

0:7:22.370 --> 0:7:22.820

Neal, Barbara

OK.

0:7:22.830 --> 0:7:23.910

Neal, Barbara

That brings us to.

0:7:26.140 --> 0:7:27.70

Neal, Barbara

Public comment.

0:7:28.250 --> 0:7:31.90

Neal, Barbara
Umm, how?

0:7:31.100 --> 0:7:31.490

Neal, Barbara
How many?

0:7:31.500 --> 0:7:39.650

Neal, Barbara
If you would like to make a public comment, could you raise your hand or otherwise indicate so we know how many people were expecting.

0:7:43.690 --> 0:7:44.230

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Me, me. Me.

0:7:44.980 --> 0:7:45.710

Neal, Barbara
OK, Steven.

0:7:48.110 --> 0:7:55.420

Neal, Barbara
I don't see any other hands raised at this point, so 5 minutes, Commissioner.

0:7:56.980 --> 0:7:58.920

Neal, Barbara
OK, let's go with five minutes.

0:7:58.930 --> 0:8:1.50

Neal, Barbara
Steven, the floor is yours.

0:8:0.620 --> 0:8:8.920

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I can probably come in under that, umm, if history is indicative, I want to.

0:8:10.350 --> 0:8:23.30

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Clarify a couple things, and especially in light of y'all's beginning to consider SME proposals and the pilot project is that the RFP was.

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Clearly deficient in its scope and specificity, and that I believe causes a reluctance by potential vendors to put, uh, necessary specificity into their proposals.

0:8:41.720 --> 0:8:55.120

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And I think that we need to the the reason that LTE is referenced in in the legislation is because it has become an essential tool for public safety first responders.

0:8:55.550 --> 0:9:16.640

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So the general phrase in the legislation of a public safety communications includes both LMR and LTE that we have neglected to properly emphasize the LTE integration in our RFP.

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Uh, scope of work.

0:9:21.30 --> 0:9:30.650

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Uh, we should not be sending first responders into a burning building without a LTE based transponder so that we can find them if they become unconscious.

0:9:31.410 --> 0:9:59.550

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Uh, that's only one of many examples related to drone video fireground management software, vehicle location, etcetera, public safety going forward absolutely relies on LTE and yet further confusion was added in the response to questions that were the task force answered a question saying we're not asking for solutions to the LTE shortfalls gaps.

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I think that's an error.

0:10:1.610 --> 0:10:3.170

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I think that needs to be clearly.

0:10:5.550 --> 0:10:21.910

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Addressed by the task force that we are planning, both LMR and LTE concurrently because by doing it concurrently, the more exacting engineering discipline of LTE where the cells need to hand off to each other through a core switch.

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Uh will drive the location of antennas and then LMR antenna is more forgiving.

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Will be on every 6th or 10th or whatever of those colocated poles or towers, so that's a fundamental that needs to be understood and that needs to be understood in light of the pilot project as well, because we don't have any other solution for LTE.

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The two proposals by the administration in the last two years have been zeroed out.

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They were basically multimillion dollar giveaways to the private sector and here's an opportunity for public safety authorities to implement LTE to protect their first responders to better manage their emergency responses and to generate potential revenue.

0:11:13.450 --> 0:11:26.440

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A share of the roaming revenues, so these these are key points that need to be the the baseline of how you go about interviewing SM SME candidates and focusing their attention.

0:11:26.690 --> 0:11:28.0

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What can we get done?

0:11:28.470 --> 0:11:45.620

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You know, in in a pilot project that will prove out the economics of this strategy and will prove to the governor that this is his best chance of getting LTE, which is sorely wants better coverage for tourists and and the ability to call 911 et cetera.

0:11:45.630 --> 0:11:49.550

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So I guess that's that's the most important point.

0:11:49.560 --> 0:12:8.740

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If I go on, I could elaborate or respond to questions at a future meeting, but I'd ask you to dwell on that and focus on getting a pilot project approved by the end of the year so that this thing doesn't go sideways or the 11 million doesn't get reappropriated to other competing priorities.

0:12:9.790 --> 0:12:11.750

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Some of the legislators thank you.

0:12:13.190 --> 0:12:13.780

Neal, Barbara

Thank you, Steven.

0:12:15.60 --> 0:12:21.210

Neal, Barbara

OK, I didn't see any other hands, but I'll give one more opportunity for any member of the public to comment.

0:12:25.280 --> 0:12:25.500

Neal, Barbara

OK.

0:12:26.670 --> 0:12:27.860

Neal, Barbara

Hearing nothing.

0:12:27.910 --> 0:12:36.700

Neal, Barbara

Let's move on to the next agenda item, which I'm going to toss right back to you, Commissioner, the status of the independent legal counsel RFP.

0:12:38.570 --> 0:12:47.340

Morrison, Jennifer

So the the status is that that is posted for to to receive potential bids.

0:12:48.210 --> 0:12:53.620

Morrison, Jennifer

It was posted on Monday of this week's questions are due.

0:12:54.10 --> 0:12:56.880

Morrison, Jennifer

God, I don't have it in front of me, but questions were due two weeks hence.

0:12:56.890 --> 0:13:3.620

Morrison, Jennifer

So another week from Monday and then so it's a total of a three week posting window.

0:13:3.630 --> 0:13:5.920

Morrison, Jennifer

If I'm wrong on that, I'll get right back to you.

0:13:6.330 --> 0:13:10.320

Morrison, Jennifer

I should have had that pulled up, but alas didn't.

0:13:11.160 --> 0:13:18.190

Morrison, Jennifer

Umm, so that is the status of it and I'm pulling it up right now to right here.

0:13:20.710 --> 0:13:22.200

Morrison, Jennifer

Yep, October 30th.

0:13:22.210 --> 0:13:28.960

Morrison, Jennifer

So two weeks for questions and then responses are due on November 6th at 3:00 PM Eastern Time.

0:13:32.750 --> 0:13:33.170

Neal, Barbara

OK.

0:13:31.230 --> 0:13:34.560

Morrison, Jennifer

That's my report on the RFP for legal counsel.

0:13:37.230 --> 0:13:37.710

Neal, Barbara

All right.

0:13:38.410 --> 0:13:42.970

Neal, Barbara

Are there any questions or anything on this item from the task force?

0:13:43.680 --> 0:13:43.870

Neal, Barbara

OK.

0:13:45.290 --> 0:13:49.600

Neal, Barbara

OK, pilot, project considerations and goals discussion.

0:13:49.670 --> 0:13:57.870

Neal, Barbara

So it I see from the minutes of the October 12th meeting that there was a discussion on this item.

0:13:59.820 --> 0:14:3.830

Neal, Barbara

I'm not quite sure where you left off in that where you wanna pick it back up.

0:14:3.840 --> 0:14:6.510

Neal, Barbara

So, Commissioner, what?

0:14:6.520 --> 0:14:7.190

Neal, Barbara

What say you?

0:14:7.850 --> 0:14:15.40

Morrison, Jennifer

Umm, last time I waited till the end till everyone talked to chime in and I'm gonna flip that this time.

0:14:15.650 --> 0:14:17.340

Morrison, Jennifer

I've been thinking about this a lot.

0:14:17.350 --> 0:14:20.960

Morrison, Jennifer

The pilot projects I hear everything Mr Whittaker saying.

0:14:20.970 --> 0:14:23.730

Morrison, Jennifer

We had a great discussion at the last meeting about it.

0:14:26.220 --> 0:14:26.580

Morrison, Jennifer

I'm.

0:14:26.640 --> 0:14:30.270

Morrison, Jennifer

I'm hesitant to. I.

0:14:30.320 --> 0:14:31.910

Morrison, Jennifer

Well, let me just say that I don't.

0:14:31.920 --> 0:14:32.820

Morrison, Jennifer

I've looked at the calendar.

0:14:32.830 --> 0:14:40.210

Morrison, Jennifer

I've actually sat down with the calendar and looked at the remaining 10 weeks of the calendar year and I don't believe we could get it done even if we tried.

0:14:40.220 --> 0:14:53.730

Morrison, Jennifer

We have got so many pokers in the fire with these little RFP evaluation and trying to select a project manager and the large RFPs which we'll discuss in a minute and now we're going to also have RFPs coming in for legal counsel.

0:14:54.300 --> 0:14:55.270

Morrison, Jennifer

We are.

0:14:55.360 --> 0:15:6.80

Morrison, Jennifer

We're already at meeting #19 in a short period of time and I don't think we have the bandwidth to really pull this off, so I'm just going to say that I don't believe it's possible in the time we have left.

0:15:6.660 --> 0:15:20.190

Morrison, Jennifer

Secondly, I have a discomfort that the more I stood on this the the greater my discomfort became of doing something that could be perceived as an end run around the legislature.

0:15:21.80 --> 0:15:23.430

Morrison, Jennifer

Now I understand that not everyone has to have that consideration.

0:15:23.440 --> 0:15:31.320

Morrison, Jennifer

You guys, most of you don't work for state government, so that's totally fine over rule me on this.

0:15:31.330 --> 0:15:46.400

Morrison, Jennifer

But my point is that if we're trying to hurry up and put a pilot project into play to obligate funds for the express purpose of not allowing the legislature to reallocate the money, we're sort of.

0:15:48.540 --> 0:15:49.850

Morrison, Jennifer

It's to me, it's not.

0:15:49.860 --> 0:16:3.890

Morrison, Jennifer

Uh, it's not the right thing to do because that's their very purpose is to allocate state fundings and state assets as they see is most important at any particular moment in time.

0:16:4.200 --> 0:16:26.260

Morrison, Jennifer

And so my point is that if I were to endorse a plan that was a little bit of a poke in the eye to members of either the House or the OR the Senate or anyone in state government, I think the repercussions for the pub Department of Public Safety would have much bigger ripple effects than just this project.

0:16:26.330 --> 0:16:37.280

Morrison, Jennifer

So we have a lot of legislative initiatives that we have to advance in the coming session and I'm unwilling to start from a position of being perceived as uh.

0:16:38.650 --> 0:16:40.300

Morrison, Jennifer

Just trying to get one in under the wire.

0:16:40.310 --> 0:16:45.760

Morrison, Jennifer

So we can grab some money and prevent them from mucking around in in this piece of this project.

0:16:45.850 --> 0:16:47.360

Morrison, Jennifer

So I'm not.

0:16:47.870 --> 0:17:0.950

Morrison, Jennifer

I'm not in favor of trying to hustle pilot projects into existence before December 31st, and I totally understand if the other members of the of this task force do want to do that.

0:17:1.170 --> 0:17:2.180

Morrison, Jennifer

No hard feelings.

0:17:2.390 --> 0:17:3.120

Morrison, Jennifer

I just can't.

0:17:3.730 --> 0:17:13.320

Morrison, Jennifer

I don't have the time to to commit to making that happen between now and December 31st, and I don't have the political the will to burn political capital at this point.

0:17:15.650 --> 0:17:21.800

Neal, Barbara

Umm, I'm gonna chime in here because I haven't had an opportunity being absent from the last meeting.

0:17:22.470 --> 0:17:31.460

Neal, Barbara

And I also don't support pilot projects being developed or identified by the end of the year.

0:17:32.420 --> 0:17:40.370

Neal, Barbara

My reasons are a little bit different though I may not understand all of what all of the conversations that might be going on as far as what the legislative intent on things is.

0:17:40.380 --> 0:17:45.200

Neal, Barbara

But, but here's my concern, we are about to hire hopefully soon.

0:17:46.920 --> 0:17:51.20

Neal, Barbara

Subject Matter experts who are going to help us develop viable.

0:17:52.190 --> 0:17:52.450

Neal, Barbara

Uh.

0:17:52.850 --> 0:18:7.560

Neal, Barbara

Bible models for moving public safety, communications forward and Vermont that is going to include technical and operational standards and all sorts of other things, including funding, recommendations, governance, recommendations so on and so forth.

0:18:7.890 --> 0:18:17.480

Neal, Barbara

Why would we do a pilot project before we know what the components of a successful project are?

0:18:17.570 --> 0:18:18.480

Neal, Barbara
We don't know.

0:18:18.930 --> 0:18:19.740

Neal, Barbara
We don't know.

0:18:20.290 --> 0:18:28.90

Neal, Barbara
I think that as we get, umm, potential models developed through the work of the of the vendor.

0:18:30.180 --> 0:18:38.140

Neal, Barbara
We will see probably umm, consistent elements of a model plan come forward.

0:18:38.210 --> 0:18:55.640

Neal, Barbara
You know, no matter which plan we pick in the end, it will have these things in common and then maybe we can start talking about a pilot project that could meet that that would need to meet those recommendations or whichever of those recommendations we decide to implement.

0:18:55.890 --> 0:19:2.670

Neal, Barbara
So it kind of feels a little bit like building a house without a blueprint for me right now.

0:19:4.170 --> 0:19:6.60

Neal, Barbara
So that's my two cents.

0:19:6.930 --> 0:19:10.340

Neal, Barbara
Although wait, I would like to add 2 based on the Minutes from October 12th.

0:19:10.350 --> 0:19:20.700

Neal, Barbara
The general components that we've talked about, you know where to focus on one area of a of the state and what to do when choosing a location.

0:19:20.710 --> 0:19:29.50

Neal, Barbara
I mean, generally speaking, I support all of those ideas when we do get to the pilot project point, I just don't think we're there yet.

0:19:29.980 --> 0:19:30.450

Neal, Barbara
Umm.

0:19:30.980 --> 0:19:36.840

Neal, Barbara

But open to hear other points of view, so I will be quiet now and open it up to the rest of the task force.

0:19:40.600 --> 0:19:41.830

Neal, Barbara

Mike dangerous.

0:19:42.940 --> 0:19:43.330

Doenges, Mike

Awesome.

0:19:43.340 --> 0:19:43.670

Doenges, Mike

Thanks.

0:19:43.720 --> 0:19:48.400

Doenges, Mike

Uh, so I don't think we should be rushing into anything.

0:19:48.440 --> 0:20:5.240

Doenges, Mike

I I do understand the the the money that has been allocated and reallocated and changed and the getting projects done for this particular and I'm sure Paul can speak to this a lot more than I can because he's been through it and I'm just seeing the remnants of it.

0:20:5.670 --> 0:20:10.870

Doenges, Mike

Umm, the we need to do this correctly.

0:20:12.50 --> 0:20:16.400

Doenges, Mike

Uh, I don't think rushing for the sake of losing those funds.

0:20:16.410 --> 0:20:19.140

Doenges, Mike

Listen, if this is I, I actually liked the point, Jennifer.

0:20:19.150 --> 0:20:34.600

Doenges, Mike

Like if this is important to the state, they won't reallocate the funds and if it isn't right now, then it's not and then maybe you have to change hosting dispatch for a while and that might not be your department wants to do, but that might be what you have to do, right?

0:20:34.610 --> 0:20:43.580

Doenges, Mike

And and at so, so not rushing, but I don't think we should forgo the continued conversation.

0:20:44.70 --> 0:21:4.500

Doenges, Mike

I don't think we should rush it, but I don't think we should forgo the continued conversation about how we can, and this is always kind of been my perspective, how we can for those RFP respondents and those, you know, the the agency that we're going to work with, give them as much data as we can as to what areas will be the most successful from pilot.

0:21:4.630 --> 0:21:6.780

Doenges, Mike

You know from a pilot dispatch center could be.

0:21:6.790 --> 0:21:20.660

Doenges, Mike

So I don't think we should slow our particular development of what areas may work and may not, but I don't know that we have to say here are the three areas that we picked today.

0:21:20.710 --> 0:21:30.60

Doenges, Mike

And again, I'm sorry if this is too long, it doesn't mean we can't say to that RFP respondent, you know these are the areas that we wanted to go.

0:21:30.70 --> 0:21:37.390

Doenges, Mike

We can make that decision before the end of the if we happen to find ourselves in that position, but I don't think that target and that deadline has as much weight.

0:21:38.30 --> 0:21:42.500

Doenges, Mike

Umm, because like like Jennifer said, if that money has to go away, has to go away.

0:21:42.510 --> 0:21:47.420

Doenges, Mike

And I I would like to not lose it, and I'd like to use it for this, but we have to look at the priorities of the state as well.

0:21:55.290 --> 0:21:56.400

James Mack

I'll chime in here now.

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Doenges, Mike

It's thank you, Jim.

0:21:56.410 --> 0:21:58.50

James Mack

At this point I I was.

0:21:59.680 --> 0:22:10.690

James Mack

I support the idea of doing the pilot project somewhere at some point I don't have enough information to know where that pilot project necessarily should be.

0:22:10.700 --> 0:22:21.910

James Mack

I believe wetland is probably a good choice, but when they're what other parts of the state you know I have Springfield sitting here on the call with us today, maybe they're a better location over there.

0:22:21.920 --> 0:22:29.580

James Mack

Dad, do a pilot project and I don't have the answers to those questions as of yet, and that's what this RFP is supposed to be helping me answer.

0:22:30.910 --> 0:22:32.530

James Mack

We also have a governance issue.

0:22:32.540 --> 0:22:35.380

James Mack

Who's going to manage this pilot project?

0:22:35.650 --> 0:22:40.360

James Mack

Even if we said we wanted to do in Rutland, is Rutland City going to step up?

0:22:40.650 --> 0:22:45.200

James Mack

Is Department of Public Safety gonna open a the Rutland he sat back up?

0:22:45.210 --> 0:22:46.680

James Mack

I don't know the answers to those.

0:22:46.890 --> 0:22:53.770

James Mack

We need some to know who's gonna govern the facility, and we can't get that done between the now and the end of the year.

0:23:0.600 --> 0:23:1.780

Neal, Barbara

OK anyone else?

0:23:0.790 --> 0:23:2.410

Morrison, Jennifer

So Bob, I don't think there's a.

0:23:2.640 --> 0:23:4.620

Morrison, Jennifer

Don't think there's necessarily an action item here?

0:23:4.630 --> 0:23:16.800

Morrison, Jennifer

I think we just wanted to continue to keep this topic transparent and have the open the public conversations about it because it has become a, you know, a matter of importance to to to some folks.

0:23:19.410 --> 0:23:20.680

Ron Kumetz (Guest)

So I'll just chime in.

0:23:20.690 --> 0:23:48.340

Ron Kumetz (Guest)

I don't disagree with any of that, but I I I think that you know from my perspective in, in my business perceiving the use of funds before the end of the year before the reallocated is I never would have thought of that because in about 2-3 weeks I'm going to start getting purchase orders from all sorts of broadcast entities who need to use up their money by the end of the year, otherwise they lose it.

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Ron Kumetz (Guest)

And they don't get to use it next year.

0:23:50.300 --> 0:23:58.670

Ron Kumetz (Guest)

So from my I had not even begun to consider that the legislators would be so sensitive that they'd think that we're trying to make an end run.

0:23:58.680 --> 0:24:4.460

Ron Kumetz (Guest)

I mean, if the money's there and it needs to be used, that's just simply the way it is. Umm.

0:24:4.200 --> 0:24:5.730

Morrison, Jennifer

It doesn't have a shelf life.

0:24:5.740 --> 0:24:13.520

Morrison, Jennifer

This money run, it's what's allocated currently in the Big bill from from this past spring, Umm.

0:24:14.10 --> 0:24:23.190

Morrison, Jennifer

And we are about to start expanding money by signing contracts or I would imagine that comes with some sort of money in the short term on two different contracts.

0:24:23.200 --> 0:24:31.80

Morrison, Jennifer

So it's not the money is not sitting there like my budget is where at the end of the year you give it back if you don't use it.

0:24:31.190 --> 0:24:34.600

Morrison, Jennifer

That's, I don't perceive that's the case with this money.

0:24:34.790 --> 0:24:55.560

Morrison, Jennifer

It is the \$2,000,000 is clearly there for this particular project and the remaining 9,000,000 of the initial 11 million I don't believe is going anywhere, although stranger things have happened that that legislative decisions have made been made that move money around and not fund something.

0:24:55.570 --> 0:25:8.100

Morrison, Jennifer

But I don't have a particular high level of fear that the money is going to get grabbed back, but I do think it's it is a consideration among the many that we've talked about in this discussion.

0:25:13.510 --> 0:25:48.50

Neal, Barbara

I think also we could have conversations that would mitigate that risk, right or or somewhat mitigate that risk of having the money taken back just by providing the legislators with, you know, updates on where we are, what the path forward looks like from our perspective when we anticipate we might spend that money and how so that they would not think that we've been sitting here not doing anything for a few months and and they would maybe more clearly see the path forward.

0:25:48.60 --> 0:25:51.460

Neal, Barbara

So maybe that would reduce that risk.

0:25:57.370 --> 0:25:57.590

Neal, Barbara

OK.

0:26:0.290 --> 0:26:3.30

Neal, Barbara

Are we ready to move on to the next?

0:26:9.810 --> 0:26:10.30

Ron Kumetz (Guest)

Sure.

0:26:9.920 --> 0:26:11.970

Morrison, Jennifer

That takes us to new business.

0:26:13.60 --> 0:26:13.380

James Mack

In this.

0:26:14.150 --> 0:26:15.20

Neal, Barbara

Thank you very much.

0:26:15.30 --> 0:26:15.690

Neal, Barbara

Yes it does.

0:26:17.460 --> 0:26:19.50

Morrison, Jennifer

See see how I got you covered.

0:26:19.430 --> 0:26:20.80

Neal, Barbara

You do.

0:26:20.90 --> 0:26:21.80

Neal, Barbara

Thank you very much.

0:26:21.310 --> 0:26:24.300

Neal, Barbara

Is there any new business?

0:26:24.830 --> 0:26:29.270

Morrison, Jennifer

Well, I wanted to ask the group the next item.

0:26:30.10 --> 0:26:38.630

Morrison, Jennifer

On our agenda is to go into executive session to discuss the responses that we received to the big RFP.

0:26:40.130 --> 0:26:40.630

Morrison, Jennifer

Uh, we.

0:26:42.710 --> 0:26:57.400

Morrison, Jennifer

We we have one that we have not distributed yet because there's a question as to whether or not it was received according to the Rules for procurement and the state is investigating that right now, I don't know the answer to it.

0:26:57.410 --> 0:27:16.490

Morrison, Jennifer

I I can't offer an opinion one way or another other than the vendor believes they submitted it according to the guidelines and well within time the state did not receive it, although we have now found evidence that the file was rejected in the time that matches what they what they have said they did.

0:27:18.290 --> 0:27:28.360

Morrison, Jennifer

So there's sort of a joint investigation into this about between ADS, the Attorney General's office and buildings and General Services, plus my procurement people.

0:27:28.370 --> 0:27:28.780

Morrison, Jennifer

People.

0:27:29.170 --> 0:27:33.450

Morrison, Jennifer

So we have four it adds to consider.

0:27:33.460 --> 0:27:44.610

Morrison, Jennifer

There is potentially a fifth and I wanted to raise this issue to ask Task force members if they're comfortable going into executive session knowing that there might be a fifth that you haven't even seen yet.

0:27:44.720 --> 0:27:46.930

Morrison, Jennifer

Now I say that because I wanna.

0:27:47.150 --> 0:27:49.430

Morrison, Jennifer

I want everyone to just have their eyes wide open about it.

0:27:49.440 --> 0:27:50.920

Morrison, Jennifer

We might have 1/5 coming into the mix.

0:27:52.160 --> 0:28:0.790

Morrison, Jennifer

I don't for one minute think we're getting through all four of these in the time we have allowed for this meeting today, because that's a lot of information in there.

0:28:1.100 --> 0:28:10.950

Morrison, Jennifer

So there it may mean mean nothing that there could be another one coming and it does not disadvantage anyone because I don't think we're getting through everything today anyway.

0:28:10.960 --> 0:28:18.920

Morrison, Jennifer

But I want the task force members to know this and determine if they are comfortable going into executive session under these circumstances.

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White, Paul

I think if you're.

0:28:28.230 --> 0:28:30.330

Neal, Barbara

I think my preference would be to wait.

0:28:31.970 --> 0:28:38.420

Neal, Barbara

Do we know do we know when the Attorney General's office, BGS and whoever else is involved?

0:28:38.430 --> 0:28:38.710

Neal, Barbara

Involved.

0:28:40.60 --> 0:28:41.210

Neal, Barbara

Might have an answer.

0:28:44.40 --> 0:28:44.700

Morrison, Jennifer

Barb.

0:28:45.60 --> 0:28:48.0

Neal, Barbara

Do do do they know the time sensitivities?

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White, Paul

Soon the the the, the the class, the classic state government answers soon.

0:28:50.190 --> 0:28:50.630

Michael Wright

Uh.

0:28:52.270 --> 0:28:52.710

Neal, Barbara

Umm.

0:28:54.340 --> 0:28:55.170

Neal, Barbara

I think we were.

0:28:55.180 --> 0:29:2.400

Neal, Barbara

We were intending to go into executive session to really talk about first impressions right of the of the responses received.

0:29:3.310 --> 0:29:4.380

Neal, Barbara

That was my understanding.

0:29:5.820 --> 0:29:12.900

Neal, Barbara

So I think it would be best to have all of them in front of us when we have that discussion, but.

0:29:14.760 --> 0:29:16.480

Neal, Barbara

That's my two cents based on what I know now.

0:29:22.470 --> 0:29:23.880

White, Paul

Yeah, I guess I could go either way.

0:29:23.890 --> 0:29:35.60

White, Paul

I mean, I think if we're gonna do, and if we're gonna have any kind of discussion where we're comparing one proposal against another or looking at, you know, if we're gonna just pick one proposal and focus on it.

0:29:35.70 --> 0:29:36.360

White, Paul

And that's all we're gonna do today.

0:29:36.550 --> 0:29:46.70

White, Paul

Then I think we're fine to go into executive session and do that if we're gonna do any kind of comparisons whatsoever across the submissions, then I think we need to wait until we have all of them.

0:29:48.950 --> 0:29:49.660

Michael Wright

I would agree with that.

0:29:52.200 --> 0:29:52.890

James Mack

There I agree with that.

0:29:58.510 --> 0:30:6.250

Neal, Barbara

OK, so what's the preference to focus on one or to or to wait? Umm.

0:30:10.270 --> 0:30:28.300

Morrison, Jennifer

I I think that as a general sense of fairness to people who would not be included in executive session, I think we should wait because, you know, I just, I know how people get all suspicious about what people do in executive session so.

0:30:33.560 --> 0:30:33.680

White, Paul

The.

0:30:30.420 --> 0:30:34.830

Morrison, Jennifer

I if they only knew how boring it was, but UM, I think we should wait.

0:30:35.0 --> 0:30:59.390

Morrison, Jennifer

That, that being said, I am aware that that will give us some time back today, but it's going to compel us to have to move hard next week and it's umm yeah, I think we should wait and I think we should be prepared that that's going to create a pain point for some or all of us in the next 7 to 10 days.

0:30:59.200 --> 0:30:59.400

Doenges, Mike

Yep.

0:31:4.570 --> 0:31:4.970

Neal, Barbara

I agree.

0:31:4.620 --> 0:31:9.510

Morrison, Jennifer

So that I don't think there's any vote required here.

0:31:9.560 --> 0:31:12.780

Morrison, Jennifer

I think that we just skip the.

0:31:14.450 --> 0:31:16.820

Morrison, Jennifer

Next agenda item, which is executive session.

0:31:18.670 --> 0:31:18.990

Neal, Barbara

OK.

0:31:22.530 --> 0:31:28.670

Neal, Barbara

And also, uh, we will skip the the following agenda item, which is the potential vote regarding next steps.

0:31:29.520 --> 0:31:30.60

Morrison, Jennifer

Correct.

0:31:30.850 --> 0:31:31.330

Neal, Barbara

OK.

0:31:33.960 --> 0:31:37.640

Neal, Barbara

Which well, which brings us to setting the next meeting date.

0:31:37.650 --> 0:31:42.720

Neal, Barbara

Now we do have a special meeting on the books for next Wednesday.

0:31:44.130 --> 0:31:45.0

Morrison, Jennifer

Believe that's correct.

0:31:46.490 --> 0:31:46.970

Neal, Barbara

Umm.

0:31:49.500 --> 0:31:53.620

Neal, Barbara

And the intention of that special meeting was big RFP response reviews, correct?

0:31:55.180 --> 0:31:56.560

Neal, Barbara

Exclusively.

0:31:58.610 --> 0:31:59.480

Neal, Barbara

Both right.

0:31:55.30 --> 0:32:0.950

Morrison, Jennifer

Uh and next steps on the little, both big RFP and next steps on the little RFP?

0:32:4.470 --> 0:32:6.590

Neal, Barbara

I'm thinking we don't need to set a next meeting date.

0:32:6.600 --> 0:32:7.470

Neal, Barbara

Then we already have it.

0:32:8.380 --> 0:32:9.50

Morrison, Jennifer

Well, that's it.

0:32:9.60 --> 0:32:13.750

Morrison, Jennifer

That was that was initially set as a special meeting, I believe.

0:32:13.760 --> 0:32:14.510

Morrison, Jennifer

Wait, let me look.

0:32:14.920 --> 0:32:15.770

Morrison, Jennifer
Kelly's pregnant.

0:32:15.950 --> 0:32:16.640

Morrison, Jennifer
To keep me straight?

0:32:17.260 --> 0:32:17.900

Audet, Cally
Yes, it was.

0:32:16.650 --> 0:32:19.690

Morrison, Jennifer
Yeah, that's set as a special meeting.

0:32:19.700 --> 0:32:21.330

Morrison, Jennifer
#7, umm.

0:32:21.660 --> 0:32:37.490

Morrison, Jennifer
We could just make that our next regular meeting and then if we have to, having a special meeting on Thursday or Friday or something else, then we just evaluate, call the ball when we're together on Wednesday.

0:32:41.920 --> 0:32:46.570

Neal, Barbara
That makes sense to me to change it to a regular meeting and then figure out what we're doing next next Wednesday.

0:32:50.420 --> 0:32:51.960

Neal, Barbara
Any objections to that?

0:32:52.20 --> 0:32:53.90

Neal, Barbara
OK, alright.

0:32:53.220 --> 0:32:53.410

Morrison, Jennifer
No.

0:32:53.420 --> 0:32:59.30

Morrison, Jennifer
So we have the meeting scheduled, we'll if everybody's given it a thumbs up, we'll just have Cali change it from a special meeting.

0:32:59.40 --> 0:33:2.140

Morrison, Jennifer

It hasn't been warned yet, so from a special meeting to a regular meeting.

0:33:3.350 --> 0:33:3.690

Neal, Barbara

Wait.

0:33:3.710 --> 0:33:4.360

Ron Kumetz (Guest)

How efficient?

0:33:6.680 --> 0:33:7.80

Morrison, Jennifer

Try to be.

0:33:9.640 --> 0:33:9.960

Neal, Barbara

OK.

0:33:12.370 --> 0:33:13.320

Neal, Barbara

Anything else for today?

0:33:15.280 --> 0:33:15.960

Doenges, Mike

I have a question.

0:33:20.360 --> 0:33:21.370

Morrison, Jennifer

I'm. Yeah.

0:33:21.380 --> 0:33:21.850

Morrison, Jennifer

I'm gonna.

0:33:15.970 --> 0:33:22.410

Doenges, Mike

Do we think that the uh attorneys will get back to us in a timely enough fashion to actually do work? OK.

0:33:22.220 --> 0:33:23.950

Morrison, Jennifer

I'm gonna press today.

0:33:23.960 --> 0:33:27.990

Morrison, Jennifer

I I pressed yesterday late afternoon pretty hard and the.

0:33:31.580 --> 0:33:32.130

Morrison, Jennifer

Leave it at that.

0:33:35.830 --> 0:33:35.970

Doenges, Mike

Cool.

0:33:33.780 --> 0:33:39.480

Morrison, Jennifer

I I will circle back today and and and make sure that I reinforce the urgent nature of their decision.

0:33:43.190 --> 0:33:43.470

Neal, Barbara

OK.

0:33:45.160 --> 0:33:51.420

Neal, Barbara

I think then, that we are at the point where we can adjourn if there's nothing else.

0:33:52.790 --> 0:33:54.470

Morrison, Jennifer

I will make that motion to adjourn.

0:33:55.500 --> 0:33:56.640

Ron Kumetz (Guest)

I will second that motion.

0:33:56.480 --> 0:33:57.120

James Mack

I'll second it.

0:33:58.230 --> 0:33:58.380

Doenges, Mike

No.

0:33:57.690 --> 0:33:59.380

Morrison, Jennifer

Oh, I looked like, let's triple it.

0:33:59.450 --> 0:34:0.460

Morrison, Jennifer

Let's quadruple it.

0:34:2.260 --> 0:34:7.550

Neal, Barbara

Alright, all in favor, raise your hand or say aye and say aye.

0:34:9.270 --> 0:34:9.800

Ron Kumetz (Guest)

I.

0:34:8.650 --> 0:34:13.720

Neal, Barbara

I see all hands of task Force members raised or voices heard.

0:34:14.130 --> 0:34:17.400

Neal, Barbara

We are adjourned till next week.

0:34:17.380 --> 0:34:17.920

White, Paul

I bye.

0:34:18.730 --> 0:34:19.180

Doenges, Mike

Thanks.

0:34:18.270 --> 0:34:19.300

Neal, Barbara

Thank you, everybody.

0:34:19.560 --> 0:34:20.210

Michael Wright

Great weekend.

0:34:19.710 --> 0:34:20.990

Neal, Barbara

OK, thanks.

0:34:21.910 --> 0:34:22.130

Neal, Barbara

Bye bye.