

RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 03-25/26

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY ENTERPRISE COMMUNICATION (PSEC) SYSTEM THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT AND FOR AWARD OF SERVICE AGREEMENT TO THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE BASED UPON THE FINDING THAT COMPETITIVE BIDDING WOULD NOT PRODUCE ANY ADVANTAGE.

WHEREAS, a public safety radio system is required to enable the County's public safety responders to communicate more efficiently and effectively with each other and with other agencies across the County, and

WHEREAS, Riverside County's public safety radio network is Public Safety Enterprise Communication (PSEC) system; and

WHEREAS, the PSEC system provides the technology to meet the communication needs of our public safety and public service agencies; and

WHEREAS, the PSEC system is a voice and data network of 71 radio sites that provides 90% voice coverage within Riverside County; and

WHEREAS, PSEC system allows for interoperability between providers in a manner that assures adequate communication capability during emergency incidents, including wildfires, earthquakes, large-scale releases of hazardous substances and other natural or man-made disasters that cross jurisdictional boundaries or require multiple-agency cooperation; and

WHEREAS, the PSEC system provides a secure voice and data communication network that is not dependent upon commercial facilities for its operation; and

WHEREAS, the District desires to remain in the Riverside County's public safety radio network with the PSEC system to facilitate reliable, dependable, cost efficient and feasible communication system for the safety of our police officers, students, faculty, staff and administrators, and

WHEREAS, the District has determined that the compatibility, cost, and utility of other systems is insufficient and believes it is necessary to establish complete District system to avoid connectivity and communications issues, as well as reliability concerns; and

WHEREAS, California Public Contract Code Section 20651 requires the district to advertise publicly for bids for the purchase of goods or service involving an expenditure which exceeds the state mandated bid limit; and

WHEREAS, sufficient evidence exists for the board of Trustees to support a finding that a competitive bidding process is not feasible or practical, and that a sole source procurement is in

the best interest of the District, permitting an exception to be allowed under these circumstances;
and

WHEREAS, the District has undertaken considerable research into the products/brands comparable to said system, which would properly serve the district's safety, security, and communication needs; and


WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the District to issue a purchase order contract without formal, public advertising and receiving of bids; and

WHEREAS, Meakin v. Steveland (1977) 68 Cal.App.3d 490 and Los Angeles Dredging v. Long Beach (1930) 210 Cal. 348 hold that statutes requiring competitive bidding do not apply when competitive bidding would work an incongruity and not produce any advantage; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED THAT, the District requests to enter into a Service Agreement between Riverside Community College District and Public Safety Enterprise Communication

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the foregoing reasons are sufficient to support a finding by the Board of Trustees that it is in the District's best interest to authorize the issuing of a sole source contract to Public Safety Enterprise Communication.

ADOPTED this 19th day of August 2025.



Jose Alcala
President of the Board of Trustees
Riverside Community College District