

**Bay Area Regional Interoperable Communications Systems (BayRICS)
Joint Powers Authority (JPA) Special Meeting**
Thursday, May 14, 2026
12:00 P.M

Alameda County Sheriff's Office
4985 Broder Blvd., Dublin, CA 94568

Agenda

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Director	Mary Ellen Carroll, County of San Francisco
Director	April Lockett-Fahimi, County of Alameda
Director	Andrew Meehan, City of San Francisco
Director	Matthew Nichelini, City of Oakland
Director	Judith Torrico, City of San Jose
Director	Abdallah Ouaz, County of Santa Clara
Director	Jose Beltran, County of Contra Costa
Director	Michael Wentworth, County of San Mateo
Director	Justin Riedel, County of Sonoma
Director	Vacant, County of Marin
Director	Vacant, South Bay Hub
Director	Vacant, East Bay Hub

1. ELECTION OF OFFICERS (Discussion, Action)

The Board of Directors will receive nominations and conduct two votes on the positions of BayRICS Board Chair and Vice Chair for the 2026-2027 term. Discussion as requested by the BayRICS Board will be followed by action to approve nominations.

(Documents for this item are a report)

2. BAYRICS JPA FINANCIAL UPDATE (Discussion)

Craig Boyer from the Alameda County Auditor-Controller Agency will give an update on the JPA's financial status.

(Documents for this item are a report and a presentation from Craig Boyer)

3. DISSOLUTION OF THE BAYRICS JPA (Discussion, Action)

Juliet Vaughn, Associate from Redwood Public Law, will present information outlining the process and required steps for dissolving the BayRICS JPA. Discussion as requested by the Board will be followed by action to approve a resolution for the dissolution of the BayRICS JPA.

(Documents for this item are a report and a resolution from Juliet Vaughn)

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS – GOOD OF THE ORDER (Discussion)

Board Members may provide any final announcements or general comments before adjournment.

(There is no supplemental documentation for this item)

5. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public may address the Board during general public comment on items within the jurisdiction of the BayRICS Board but not listed on the agenda for a period of time designated by the Chair but not to exceed two minutes.

(There is no supplemental documentation for this item)

ADJOURNMENT

If any materials related to an item on this agenda have been distributed to the Board after distribution of the agenda packet, those materials are available for public inspection at 1663 Mission Street, Suite 320, San Francisco, CA, 94103 during normal office hours: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Public Participation:

It is the policy of the BayRICS Board to encourage and permit public participation and comment on matters within the Board's jurisdiction, as follows.

- *Public Comment on Agenda Items.* The Board will take public comment on each item on the agenda. The Board will take public comment on an action item before the Board takes any action on that item. Persons addressing the Board on an agenda item shall confine their remarks to that particular agenda item. For each agenda item, each member of the public may address the Board once, for up to three minutes. The Chair may limit the public comment on an agenda item to less than three minutes per speaker, based on the nature of the agenda item, the number of anticipated speakers for that item, and the number and anticipated duration of other agenda items.
- *General Public Comment.* The Board shall include general public comment as an agenda item at each meeting of the Board. During general public comment, each member of the public may address the Board on matters within the Board's jurisdiction. Issues discussed during general public comment must not appear elsewhere on the agenda for that meeting. Each member of the public may address the Board once during general public comment, for up to three minutes. The Chair may limit the total general public comment to 30 minutes and may limit the time allocated to each speaker depending on the number of speakers during general public comment and the number and anticipated duration of agenda items.
- *Speaker Identification.* Individuals making public comment may be requested, but not required, to identify themselves and whom they represent.
- *Designated Public Comment Area.* Members of the public wishing to address the Board must speak from the public comment area.
- *Comment, Not Debate.* During public comment, speakers shall address their remarks to the Board as a whole and not to individual Board Members, the General Manager or Management Team members, or the audience. Board Members and other persons are not required to respond to questions from a speaker. Board Members shall not enter into debate or discussion with speakers during public comment, although Board Members may question speakers to obtain clarification. Board Members may ask the General Manager to investigate an issue raised during public comment and later report to the Board. The lack of a response by the Board to public comment does not necessarily constitute agreement with or support of comments made during public comment.

- *Speaker Conduct.* The Board will not tolerate disruptive conduct by individuals making public comment. Speakers who use profanity or engage in yelling, screaming, or other disruptive behavior will be directed to cease that conduct and may be asked to leave the meeting room.

To: BayRICS Board of Directors

From: April Lockett-Fahimi, Alameda County Undersheriff

Date: May 14, 2026

Re: Item 01: Election of BayRICS Board of Directors Officers

Staff Recommendation:

No recommendation

Action or Discussion Items:

Action

Discussion:

The BayRICS Board shall elect a Chair and Vice-Chair to serve a one-year term from among the Member's primary representatives at the first meeting of the calendar year. The Director from Alameda County will initiate the nomination process and candidates may make a statement and then hear public comment. After public comment, an open vote will take place at the pleasure of the board. Roll call will take place by Directors in the following order: City of San Francisco, County of Alameda, County of San Francisco, City of Oakland, City of San Jose, County of Santa Clara, County of Contra Costa, County of Sonoma, County of Marin, South Bay Hub, and East Bay Hub.

After the vote for Chair has taken place, the Director from Alameda County will open nominations for Vice-Chair. The candidates may make a statement and then hear public comment. After public comment, an open vote will take place at the pleasure of the board. Roll call will take place by Directors in the following order: City of San Francisco, County of Alameda, County of San Francisco, City of Oakland, City of San Jose, County of Santa Clara, County of Contra Costa, County of Sonoma, County of Marin, South Bay Hub, and East Bay Hub.

To: BayRICS Board of Directors

From: Craig Boyer, Alameda County Auditor-Controller Agency

Date: May 14, 2026

Re: Item 02: BayRICS JPA Financial Update

Staff Recommendation:

No recommendation

Action or Discussion Items:

Discussion

Discussion:

The group will review the information below and discuss the current financial status of the Joint Powers Authority.

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BayRICS JPA Financial Update

Presented by Craig Boyer,

Alameda County Auditor-Controller Agency

May 14, 2026

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Date: May 14, 2026
To: BayRICS Joint Powers
From: Juliet Vaughn, Legal Counsel
Re: Dissolution of Bay Area Regional Interoperable Communications Systems Authority (BayRICS)

Recommendation:

Staff recommends the Board adopt a Resolution of Termination to terminate the Bay Area Regional Interoperable Communications Systems Authority Joint Powers Agreement (“JPA Agreement”) and dissolve the Bay Area Regional Interoperable Communications Systems Authority (“BayRICS” or the “JPA”) and authorize the Secretary of the Board to work with legal counsel to take all necessary steps to effectuate dissolution.

Summary:

The City and County of San Francisco representative, Mary Ellen Carroll, requested a future agenda item of the BayRICS Board of Directors to discuss termination of the JPA Agreement and dissolution of the JPA, due to inactivity of BayRICS in the past several years.

Background:

BayRICS was formed in 2011 pursuant to California Joint Exercise of Powers Act (California Government Code § 6500 *et seq.*) through a JPA agreement among Bay Area counties and cities seeking to improve regional coordination of critical communications infrastructure. The JPA was established to plan, fund, and implement a regionally integrated wireless communications system that enhances emergency response across the Bay Area. The Board of Directors of BayRICS serve as the governance and administrative body, facilitating decision-making, securing and accepting grant funding, and overseeing projects of BayRICS.

Over the past several years, BayRICS has become inactive and no longer carries out the functions for which it was created. The Board of Directors has not convened a meeting in several years, and BayRICS has not engaged in ongoing planning, coordination, or operational activities relation to the regional interoperable communications in that time. Given the prolonged period of inactivity and the absence of need for the JPA to continue, staff believes that dissolution of BayRICS and termination of the JPA Agreement is appropriate to release member agencies from the JPA Agreement and provide clarity as to the status of the JPA.

Analysis:

Section 6.04 of the JPA Agreement provides the procedural requirements for termination of the JPA and disposition of the assets. Section 6.04 provides that the JPA may be terminated by a two-thirds

supermajority vote of the Board of Directors and upon written consent from their respective public agencies. Provided that a supermajority vote of the Board of Directors votes to terminate the JPA, staff will prepare a draft resolution and staff report for each member agency's governing body to formally approve or "consent" to the dissolution action. The termination of the JPA Agreement and dissolution of the JPA would be effective no sooner than the date on which a supermajority is reached by written consent of the member agencies.

The proposed resolution terminates the JPA Agreement and dissolves the BayRICS JPA, to become effective upon receipt of written consents from a two-thirds supermajority of the member agencies. Pursuant to Section 3.05 of the JPA Agreement, the Office of the Alameda County Sheriff serves as Secretary of the Board of Directors and is responsible for carrying out administrative support. Additionally, BayRICS funds are managed by Alameda County. Consistent with this, the proposed resolution directs the Alameda County Sheriff's Office to pay outstanding debts and obligations, return any remaining assets and funds to the member agencies in proportion to their respective contributions to the JPA, and work with legal counsel to take any other actions necessary to effectuate the JPA Agreement termination and JPA dissolution.

Fiscal Impact:

Because BayRICS has not operated in several years, a dissolution action would not result in any costs or liabilities being transferred to each member. Any related filing fees and legal costs will be paid from the remaining assets of the JPA. Once dissolution has been approved, Alameda County Sheriff's Office will distribute the remaining assets and funds back to the member agencies in an amount proportional to each member agency's contribution. Accordingly, the dissolution would have a positive fiscal impact to each member agency.

Attachment:

- A. BayRICS Board of Directors Resolution 2026-001



RESOLUTION 2026-001

Resolution of the Bay Area Regional Interoperable Communications Systems Authority Board of Directors Termination of the Joint Powers Authority Agreement and Dissolution of the Bay Area Regional Interoperable Communications Systems Authority

WHEREAS, California Government Code § 6500 *et seq.* (known as the “Joint Exercise of Powers Act”) outlines the procedures and requirements for the creation, operation and dissolution of joint powers authorities; and

WHEREAS, the Bay Area Regional Interoperable Communications Systems Authority (“BayRICS” or the “JPA”) was created pursuant to the Joint Exercise of Powers Act on or about May 2, 2011 (the “JPA Agreement”); and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the BayRICS JPA Agreement was to create an agency to develop and establish a regional, interoperable public safety broadband communications system and other advanced information systems for interoperable public safety communications; and

WHEREAS, Government Code § 6510 provides a joint powers agreement may be continued for definite term or continued until rescinded and terminated; and

WHEREAS, Section 1.05 of the JPA Agreement provides the JPA Agreement shall continue until terminated pursuant to Section 6.04 of the JPA Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Section 6.04 provides that the JPA Agreement may be terminated by a two-thirds (2/3) supermajority vote of the BayRICS governing Board of Directors and upon written consent from their respective agencies; and

WHEREAS, BayRICS has become inactive in recent years and its purpose has been served; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors finds it in the best interest of the member agencies to terminate the JPA Agreement and dissolve the JPA to provide clarity as to the status of BayRICS and to release member agencies from the JPA Agreement; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code § 6503.5 states that a joint powers agency shall file two (2) copies of the a notice with the Secretary of State whenever a joint powers agreement provides for the creation of an agency and whenever a joint powers agreement is amended; and

WHEREAS, BayRICS now wishes to initiate termination of the JPA Agreement by (1) approving this Resolution of Termination to terminate the BayRICS JPA Agreement and dissolve the BayRICS JPA no sooner than the date that a two-thirds supermajority of the member agencies is reached by written consent of the member agencies in the form of a resolution of their respective governing bodies and has been transmitted to the Secretary of the Board; and (2) authorizing the Secretary of the Board of Directors coordinate with legal counsel to take all

necessary steps to effectuate the JPA Agreement termination and JPA dissolution, including paying any outstanding debts and obligations and disbursing remaining funds to the member agencies in an amount proportional to each member agency's contribution.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the BayRICS Board of Directors, that all above recitals are hereby found to be true and correct and incorporated herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the BayRICS Board of Directors, by a vote of at least 2/3, hereby takes the following actions to carry out the termination of the BayRICS JPA Agreement and dissolution of BayRICS JPA:

- (1) Approves this Resolution of Termination pursuant to which the BayRICS JPA Agreement shall be terminated and of no further force and effect pursuant to Section 6.04 of the JPA Agreement as of the date specified in Section 2 below; and
- (2) Dissolves the BayRICS JPA effective as of the date that a 2/3 supermajority of the member agencies is reached by written consent of the member agencies in the form of a resolution of their respective governing bodies and has been transmitted to the Secretary of the Board ("Termination Date"); and
- (3) Authorizes the Secretary of the Board of Directors, or their designee, to coordinate with legal counsel to take all necessary and reasonable action necessary to carry out the intent of this Resolution of Termination, including preparing financial accounting documents, paying all outstanding debts and obligations, disbursing remaining assets and funds to the member agencies in proportion to their contributions, and filing notices with the Secretary of State as required by law.

DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Bay Area Regional Interoperable Communications System Board of Directors at a special meeting held on May 14, 2026 in Dublin, California by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

SIGNED:

By:

Chair of the Board

ATTEST:

April Lockett-Fahimi

Alameda County Sheriff's Office

Secretary of the Board