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MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 5, 2008
TO: MERA Board of Directors
FROM: Maureen L. Cassingham, Executive Officer
SUBJECT: PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO THE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT
CREATING THE MARIN EMERGENCY RADIO AUTHORITY

Recommended Action: Approve the attached Amendment No. 3 to the MERA JPA allowing adoption of the annual budget in a single meeting.

Background: On December 3, 2007, the MERA Executive Committee recommended that the Board of Directors approve JPA Amendment No. 3. On December 5, 2007, the Board discussed the amendment which would permit annual budget adoption in a single meeting and directed that it be placed on the next Board meeting agenda for final action.

Attached is Amendment No. 3, Article 9: Funding Section 9.1 of the MERA Joint Powers Agreement.

Attachment

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AMENDMENT NO. 3

Article 9: FUNDING, Section §9.1 Authority Budget of the Joint Powers Agreement Creating the Marin Emergency Radio Authority is hereby amended to read:

“The Board shall adopt an annual budget for the Authority’s activities within ninety (90) days of the effective date of this Agreement and by June 1 of each succeeding year. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section §5.13 of this Agreement, the procedures applicable to the County of Marin for the adoption of a budget shall not apply to the Authority. The budget may be adopted at the same meeting that it is first presented to the Board for consideration. Public funds may not be disbursed by the Authority without adoption of the approved budget and all receipts and disbursements shall be in strict accordance with the approved budget. The budget shall identify the programs of the Authority and allocate funds by the program. The budget and accounting system shall account for direct and overhead costs by program. The Board shall allocate these costs for each program with the adoption of the annual budget.”