



Board of Directors
Agenda
December 4, 2025
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

	ITEM	PRESENTER
1)	Call to Order, Roll Call, Opening Comments	Chair Val Gale City of Chandler
2)	Call to the Public A member of the public may request to address the Board by submitting a request to RWC staff via phone or email. Speakers will be considered at the sole discretion of the Board Chair and will be allotted no more than three (3) minutes to speak.	Chair Val Gale City of Chandler
3)	Approval of RWC Board Meeting Minutes from the August 21, 2025, Meeting This item is for information, discussion, and action.	Chair Val Gale City of Chandler
4)	Financial Update for Fiscal Year 2024/25 and Settlement Credit The purpose of this item is to request Board approval for the Financial Update for Fiscal Year 2024/2025 and Settlement Credit. This item is for information, discussion, and action.	John Imig RWC Executive Director



5)	<p>RWC Dynamic System Resilience (DSR) Project The purpose of this item is to provide an overview of a proposed project with the goal of delivering core system redundancy. This item is for information and discussion only.</p>	<p>John Imig RWC Executive Director</p>
6)	<p>RWC Trunked Network Fiscal Year 2026/27 Subscriber Unit Rate, FY27 Budget Overview and 5-Year Plan The purpose of this item is to seek Board approval for the proposed RWC Trunked Network FY 2026/27 Subscriber Unit Rate, FY27 Budget and 5-Year Plan. This item is for information, discussion, and action.</p>	<p>John Imig RWC Executive Director</p>
7)	<p>RWC Conventional (VHF) Network Fiscal Year 2026/27 Subscriber Unit Rate, FY27 Budget Overview and 5-Year Plan The purpose of this item is to seek Board approval for the proposed RWC VHF Network FY 2026/27 Subscriber Unit Rate, FY27 Budget and 5-Year Plan. This item is for information, discussion, and action.</p>	<p>John Imig RWC Executive Director</p>
8)	<p>Board Resolution: Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the Town of Guadalupe Fire Department (GFD) and the Arizona Fire Medical Authority (AFMA) The purpose of this resolution is to recognize and formalize the singular representation of GFD by AFMA. This item is for information, discussion, and action.</p>	<p>John Imig RWC Executive Director</p>



<p>9)</p>	<p>Executive Director’s Report A) RWC External Audit Update B) CY 2026 Meeting Dates (Attachment B) C) UASI Grant Submission D) New Executive Committee Chair This item is for information and discussion.</p>	<p>John Imig RWC Executive Director</p>
<p>10)</p>	<p>Announcements, Public Comment, Future Agenda Items The purpose of this item is to communicate any Board announcements, additional public comment, or future agenda items. This item is for information only.</p>	<p>Chair Val Gale City of Chandler</p>
<p>11)</p>	<p>Adjourn</p>	<p>Chair Val Gale City of Chandler</p>



**Regional Wireless Cooperative
Board of Directors
MINUTES
December 4, 2025**

City of Phoenix
Public Transit Building
302 N. 1st Ave, 2nd Floor
Phoenix, Arizona 85003

Board Members Present		Board Members Absent
Shawn Holcomb~ – Arizona Fire and Medical Authority	Patrick Beumler~ – Paradise Valley	Jeff McMenemy – Harquahala FD
Jeff Scheetz~ – Avondale	Douglas Steele – Peoria	Bianca Lochner~ – Scottsdale
Greg Platacz~ – Buckeye	Steen Hambric – Phoenix	Michael Young – Tolleson
Val Gale - Chandler	Tony Van Roekel*~ – Sun City Fire and Medical	
Alan Zangle~ – Daisy Mountain Fire District	Cody Worrell – Surprise	
Paul Marzocca – El Mirage	Kyle Carman~ – Tempe	
Milton Wiener~ – FRBSF	Les Brown~ – Wickenburg	
Brent Ackzen* – Glendale		
Paul Luizzi – Goodyear		
Michael Grant~ – Maricopa		
Gretchen Eichner*~ – MCCCCD		
*Board Alternate	^Non-Voting Alternate	~Telephone Participant

Staff and Public Present			
John Imig – RWC	Nicholas Roosevelt – RWC	Mark Sampson – RWC	Selena Barner – RWC
~Telephone Participant			

NOTE: RWC Administrative Staff attendees were accounted for prior to the start of the meeting. No roll call for other staff of RWC Members, other interested parties, or the public was taken.



1. **Call to Order, Roll Call and Opening Comments**

Board Chair Val Gale, representing the City of Chandler, called the meeting of the Regional Wireless Cooperative (RWC) Board of Directors (Board) to order at 10:05 AM. Chair Gale asked RWC Management Assistant, Nick Roosevelt (RWC) to take Roll Call.

2. **Call to the Public**

Chair Gale received no response when asked if there were any requests from the public to speak.

3. **Approval of RWC Board Meeting Minutes from the August 21, 2025, Meeting**

Chair Gale asked the Board if there was any need for discussion on the draft minutes presented from the August 21, 2025, Board Meeting. There was no discussion.

A **MOTION** was made by Paul Luizzi and **SECONDED** by Cody Worrell to approve the August 21, 2025, RWC Board meeting minutes.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (18-0)

4. **Financial Update for Fiscal Year 2024/25 and Settlement Credit**

Almira Santos (RWC) presented the financial update and settlement for Fiscal Year 2024/25. She reported that the total revenues were \$9,756,304 and the total Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Expenditures were \$8,263,489, resulting in Net Revenues exceeding expenses by \$1,492,815. She added that the RWC earned \$240,824 in interest, bringing the total settlement credit due back to Members to \$1,733,639 once approved by the Board.

A **MOTION** was made by Douglas Steele and **SECONDED** by Steen Hambric to approve the recommendation as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (18-0)

5. **RWC Dynamic System Resilience (DSR) Project**

John Imig (RWC) provided an overview of the proposed Dynamic System Resilience (DSR) Project. He explained that the RWC currently lacks network wide core redundancy and that the transition from T1 circuits to Ethernet/IP backhaul now enables full redundancy between Zones 1 and 2, Zones 4 and 5, and a separate solution for Zone 3 (Scottsdale). He stated that the project would ensure continued communications by establishing a geographically separate backup for each zone.

6. **RWC Trunked Network Fiscal Year 2026/27 Subscriber Unit Rate, FY27 Budget Overview and 5-Year Plan**

Ms. Santos presented the proposed FY 2026/27 subscriber unit rate, budget overview, and 5-year plan for the Trunked Network. She reported a proposed monthly subscriber unit rate of \$32.96, based on the October 2025 radio count of 22,522 units, noting that the rate reflects a decrease



from the previous year. She also reviewed the FY27 budget and the projects included in the 5-year plan.

Board members discussed projected budget impacts in future years and the value of applying a growth factor to estimated subscriber counts. Jeff Scheetz (Avondale) asked whether the sustained increase reflected in the five-year plan was due to the DSR project or other contributing factors. Mr. Imig explained that the DSR project is a one-year cost in FY27, followed by the start of the six-year MAP project in FY28, and that the projects were intentionally separated to avoid overlapping impacts. Paul Luizzi (Goodyear) recommended applying a three percent annual increase to estimated subscriber counts for planning purposes. Mr. Imig confirmed that approval of this item includes approval of the DSR project, while the MAP project will be presented separately at a later date.

A **MOTION** was made by Paul Luizzi and **SECONDED** by Douglas Steele to approve the recommendation as presented, including a three percent annual adjustment to the estimated subscriber count.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (18-0)

7. RWC Conventional (VHF) Network Fiscal Year 2026/27 Subscriber Unit Rate, FY27 Budget Overview and 5-Year Plan

Mark Sampson (RWC) presented the proposed FY 2026/27 subscriber unit rate, budget overview, and 5-year plan for the Conventional (VHF) Network. He reported a proposed monthly subscriber unit rate of \$10.16, based on the October 2025 radio count of 4,852 units, noting that the rate reflects a slight decrease from the prior year. He also reviewed the FY27 budget and the projects included in the 5-year plan.

During the discussion, Chief Luizzi recommended applying a three percent annual increase to the estimated subscriber count for planning purposes, consistent with the action taken for the Trunked Network.

A **MOTION** was made by Paul Luizzi and **SECONDED** by Steen Hambric to approve the recommendation as presented, including a three percent annual adjustment to the estimated subscriber count.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (18-0)

8. Board Resolution: Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the Town of Guadalupe Fire Department (GFD) and the Arizona Fire Medical Authority (AFMA)

Mr. Imig presented a resolution regarding the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the Town of Guadalupe Fire Department (GFD) and the Arizona Fire & Medical Authority (AFMA). He explained that Board consent is required when a member agency assigns its interests to another



agency. Guadalupe entered into an IGA with AFMA in October 2025 for the provision of fire services, and Board action is needed to complete the assignment of its membership interests to AFMA. Approval would reduce Board representation from 22 to 21 members, with AFMA representing Guadalupe.

Mr. Imig stated that AFMA submitted its request in accordance with RWC governance. Chief Luizzi asked whether Guadalupe could return as an individual member in the future. Mr. Imig explained that any former member may reapply for membership through the standard process, subject to Board approval.

A **MOTION** was made by Cody Worrell and **SECONDED** by Brent Ackzen to approve the recommendation as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (18-0)

9. **Executive Director's Report**

A. **RWC External Audit Update**

Mr. Imig provided an update on the RWC external audit. He stated that the audit is underway and that preliminary work has been completed. He noted that no issues have been identified to date and that staff will provide the Board with the final audit results once the review is complete.

B. **CY 2026 Meeting Dates (Attachment B)**

Mr. Imig reviewed the tentative RWC Board meeting dates for Calendar Year 2026. He stated that the Board is scheduled to meet in person with a hybrid option at MAG on February 26 and December 3, with the December room location to be determined. May 28 and August 27 meetings will be held remotely via Webex only.

C. **UASI Grant Submission**

Mr. Imig mentioned that the RWC submitted a grant request through the UASI Interoperable Communications Subcommittee to expand the system's interference detection capabilities. The request seeks funding to extend monitoring beyond the 700 MHz band to additional frequency ranges, including VHF, to enhance detection of interference impacting public safety communications. He noted that award timelines have not yet been released.

D. **New Executive Committee Chair**

Mr. Imig announced that the Executive Committee, which provides guidance to the Executive Director and reviews agendas prior to Board meetings, selected Brent Ackzen (Glendale) as its new Chair. He noted that Mr. Ackzen succeeds Assistant Chief Jeff



Schripsema (Phoenix Fire), who completed two terms. The Chair position is a two-year appointment, with members eligible to serve up to two consecutive terms.

10. Announcements and Future Agenda Items

There was no discussion on this item.

11. Adjournment

Chair Gale adjourned the meeting at 10:47 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Selena Barner – Administrative Aide



BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT

TO:	Regional Wireless Cooperative (RWC) Board Members	Agenda Date:	December 4, 2025
FROM:	John Imig, RWC Executive Director		Item 4
STAFF:	Almira Santos, RWC Accountant IV Mark Sampson, RWC Accountant I		
SUBJECT:	FINANCIAL UPDATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024/25 AND SETTLEMENT CREDIT		

BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to present the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024/25 financial updates to the RWC Board of Directors.

THE ISSUE

In accordance with RWC Governance, year-end expenditure reports must be presented to the Board. This report summarizes total revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.

- Total Revenues: \$9,756,304
- Total Operations & Maintenance (O&M) Expenditures: \$8,263,489
- Net Revenue Over Expenses: \$1,492,815
- Interest Earned: \$240,824
- Settlement Credits Due Back to Members: \$1,733,639

BUDGET VARIANCES

The primary factors contributing to the budget variances were:

- Contingency funds for both Trunked and VHF Networks were not utilized.
- Phoenix Information Technology Services (ITS) achieved cost savings through unanticipated salary savings and fewer public works charges, reducing costs by approximately \$386,000.
- Radio subscriber counts increased by 4.26%, generating additional revenue.
- Additional savings resulted from lower circuit charges and reduced miscellaneous maintenance expenses.

Settlement Credit distributions by Member are as follows:

Proposed Regional Wireless Cooperative Settlement Credits

Member	2024/25 Settlement
Arizona Fire & Medical Authority	\$ (22,820.37)
AFMA	(18,973.69)
Buckeye Valley FD	(13,198.02)
North County Fire & Medical	(1,781.79)
Sun Lakes	(1,445.82)
Tonopah	(619.06)
Avondale	(55,845.31)
Buckeye	(40,954.05)
Chandler	(84,788.44)
Daisy Mountain	(22,553.35)
El Mirage	(13,737.16)
Federal Reserve Bank	(1,847.80)
Glendale	(99,444.14)
Goodyear	(49,838.02)
Guadalupe	(1,849.35)
Harquahala FD	(1,113.04)
Maricopa	(22,415.09)
Maricopa County Community College District	(24,390.96)
Paradise Valley	(5,367.71)
Peoria	(71,009.09)
Phoenix	(873,520.92)
Scottsdale	(120,298.32)
Sun City FD	(7,778.82)
Surprise	(57,101.69)
Tempe	(125,206.77)
Tolleson	(13,852.58)
Wickenburg	(4,707.79)
	\$ (1,733,638.77)

RECOMMENDATION

The Executive Director hereby recommends Board approval for the Fiscal Year 2024/25 Financial Update and Settlement Credit and issue to each member their respective credit memo.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT

TO:	Regional Wireless Cooperative (RWC) Board Members	Agenda Date:	December 4, 2025
FROM:	John Imig, RWC Executive Director		Item 5
STAFF:	Thomas Grebner, Deputy Chief Information Officer Nicholas Roosevelt, RWC Management Assistant		
SUBJECT:	RWC DYNAMIC SYSTEM RESILIENCE (DSR) PROJECT		

BACKGROUND

At present, the RWC lacks comprehensive network-wide redundancy, representing a critical regional vulnerability. While ongoing efforts continually assess and mitigate the risk of total network failure and although we employ redundancy in certain areas such as site connectivity and the availability of the existing backup PSIC “high sites”, full zone core system redundancy has not been achieved.

SOLUTION

It has long been a goal of the RWC to create true redundancy and with the move from legacy T-1 lines to Ethernet-based backhaul, that opportunity is now in reach. In order to achieve network-wide redundancy the RWC will acquire Motorola Solutions’ Dynamic System Resilience (“DSR”) Core technology to provide redundancy between RWC Zones 1 & 2 (Central & East Valley), and 4 & 5 (West Valley); and one (1) Edge Availability Server to provide redundancy for Zone 3 (Scottsdale). These implementations will ensure that if a single zone core is disabled or compromised, communications remain uninterrupted by mirroring each zone to a geographically separate location.

This redundancy is essential to safeguarding communications between field personnel and dispatch centers alike. The integrity and resilience of this network is paramount to our Members and the region, making this project essential.

RECOMMENDATION

This item is for information and discussion only.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT

TO:	Regional Wireless Cooperative (RWC) Board Members	Agenda Date:	December 4, 2025
FROM:	John Imig, RWC Executive Director	Item 6	
STAFF:	Almira Santos, RWC Accountant IV Mark Sampson, RWC Accountant I		
SUBJECT:	RWC TRUNKED NETWORK FISCAL YEAR 2026/27 SUBSCRIBER UNIT RATE, FY27 BUDGET OVERVIEW AND 5-YEAR PLAN		

BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to present the FY 2026/27 Subscriber Unit Rate, FY27 Budget Overview and 5-Year Plan for the RWC Trunked Network.

THE ISSUE

The Subscriber Unit Rate is determined by dividing the staffing, operations, and maintenance budget by the number of subscriber units estimated to be on the network in FY 2025/26. The rate for FY 2026/27, if approved, will be \$32.96, which represents a *decrease* of \$0.73 from the previous rate of \$33.69. This revised rate is based on the October 2025 Radio count. The reasons for the rate decrease include:

- A \$20,150 decrease in property insurance costs.
- An increase in subscriber units results in a lower cost per radio.
- Phoenix ITS Radio Shop cost savings of approximately \$16,000
- A negotiated reduction in Resource Guru (Interoperability Scheduling Software) subscription by \$3,000

Annual Staffing, O&M	\$ 8,909,028
Subscriber Units	22,522
Monthly Subscriber Rate	\$ 32.96

The RWC Budget is made up of the following categories:

- Motorola Solutions, Inc. (MSI)
 - Service Contract and Software Upgrade Assurance (SUA II) Agreement
- City of Phoenix Information Technology Services (ITS) Department
 - Wireless Services, Microwave, and Network Services
- RWC Staffing
 - Four (4) funded staff positions.
- Other Costs:
 - City of Scottsdale Maintenance Manager costs, site leases, auditing services, electricity, telecommunications, and capital projects

For planning purposes, the summary of the RWC Trunked Network FY 2026/27 budget by Member and the 5-Year Plan are reflected below.

RWC Trunked Network FY26/27 Budget Detail

Member	Oct 2025 Radio Count	FY27 O&M/ Staffing	SUA II	Logging Recorder	Comm Site Monitoring & Access Control Replacement Project	Microwave System Lifecycle Replacement Project	Radio Network Ethernet Lifecycle Replacement Project	Motorola Dynamic System Resilience (DSR) Project	FY 2026/27 TOTAL
Arizona Fire & Medical Authority	290	114,715.31	33,640.36		3,091.30	8,415.21	11,095.97	46,824.51	217,782.66
Avondale	672	265,823.05	77,952.82	20,346.24	7,163.29	19,500.07	25,712.05	108,503.70	525,001.22
Buckeye	566	223,892.63	65,656.69		6,033.37	16,424.16	21,656.28	91,388.53	425,051.66
Chandler	1,114	440,665.00	129,225.35	-	11,874.86	32,326.01	42,623.85	179,870.71	836,585.78
Daisy Mountain	191	75,553.87	22,156.23		2,035.99	5,542.43	7,308.04	30,839.59	143,436.15
El Mirage	182	71,993.74	21,112.22		1,940.06	5,281.27	6,963.68	29,386.42	136,677.39
Federal Reserve Bank	28	11,075.96	3,248.03		298.47	812.50	1,071.34	4,520.99	21,027.29
Glendale	1,025	405,459.27	118,901.25	63,879.12	10,926.15	29,743.41	39,218.53	165,500.43	833,628.16
Goodyear	679	268,592.04	78,764.82	45,051.72	7,237.91	19,703.20	25,979.89	109,633.94	554,963.52
Guadalupe	15	5,933.55	1,740.02		159.89	435.27	573.93	2,421.96	11,264.62
Harquahala FD	9	3,560.13	1,044.01		95.94	261.16	344.36	1,453.17	6,758.77
Maricopa	283	111,946.32	32,828.34		3,016.68	8,212.08	10,828.14	45,694.27	212,525.83
Maricopa County Community College District	455	179,984.36	52,780.55	26,220.12	4,850.14	13,203.17	17,409.20	73,466.05	367,913.59
Paradise Valley	91	35,996.87	10,556.11		970.03	2,640.63	3,481.84	14,693.21	68,338.69
Peoria	930	367,880.12	107,881.13		9,913.48	26,986.70	35,583.64	150,161.37	698,406.44
Phoenix	11,357	4,492,488.72	1,317,425.79	161,701.56	121,061.74	329,556.95	434,541.30	1,833,744.78	8,690,520.84
Scottsdale	1,561	617,484.80	181,077.90	77,962.32	16,639.73	45,297.04	59,726.95	252,045.05	1,250,233.79
Sun City Fire	67	26,503.19	7,772.08		714.20	1,944.20	2,563.55	10,818.08	50,315.30
Surprise	743	293,908.53	86,188.90	55,805.28	7,920.12	21,560.34	28,428.65	119,967.63	613,779.45
Tempe	1,634	646,361.41	189,545.98		17,417.88	47,415.34	62,520.07	263,831.91	1,227,092.59
Tolleson	184	72,784.88	21,344.22	21,769.20	1,961.38	5,339.30	7,040.20	29,709.35	159,948.53
Wickenburg	87	34,414.59	10,092.11		927.39	2,524.56	3,328.79	14,047.35	65,334.79
Members Subtotal	22,163	8,767,018.36	2,570,934.91	472,735.56	236,250.00	643,125.00	848,000.25	3,578,523.00	17,116,587.08
Associates									
AMR	281	111,155.18							111,155.18
Maricopa Ambulance	78	30,854.46							30,854.46
Associates Subtotal	359	142,009.64	-	-	-	-	-	-	142,009.64
ESTIMATED TOTALS	22,522	8,909,028.00	2,570,934.91	472,735.56	236,250.00	643,125.00	848,000.25	3,578,523.00	17,258,596.72

5-Year Budget Plan by Member

Member	Oct 2025 Radio Count	% Allocation	FY 2026/27 TOTAL	FY 2027/28 TOTAL	FY 2028/29 TOTAL	FY 2029/30 TOTAL	FY 2030/31 TOTAL
Arizona Fire & Medical Authority	290	1.29%	217,783	254,635	218,693	415,600	425,775
Avondale	672	2.98%	525,001	590,051	506,765	963,045	986,623
Buckeye	566	2.51%	425,052	496,977	426,829	811,136	830,995
Chandler	1,114	4.95%	836,586	978,150	840,084	1,596,476	1,635,563
Daisy Mountain	191	0.85%	143,436	167,708	144,036	273,723	280,424
El Mirage	182	0.81%	136,677	159,805	137,249	260,825	267,211
Federal Reserve Bank	28	0.12%	21,027	24,585	21,115	40,127	41,109
Glendale	1,025	4.55%	833,628	900,003	772,968	1,468,930	1,504,894
Goodyear	679	3.01%	554,964	596,197	512,044	973,076	996,901
Guadalupe	15	0.07%	11,265	13,171	11,312	21,497	22,023
Harquahala FD	9	0.04%	6,759	7,902	6,787	12,898	13,214
Maricopa	283	1.26%	212,526	248,489	213,415	405,568	415,498
Maricopa County Community College District	455	2.02%	367,914	426,520	343,122	652,061	668,026
Paradise Valley	91	0.40%	68,339	79,903	68,624	130,412	133,605
Peoria	930	4.13%	698,406	816,588	701,327	1,332,785	1,365,416
Phoenix	11,357	50.43%	8,690,521	10,024,041	8,564,488	16,275,742	16,674,230
Scottsdale	1,561	6.93%	1,250,234	1,370,639	1,177,174	2,237,073	2,291,844
Sun City Fire	67	0.30%	50,315	58,829	50,526	96,018	98,369
Surprise	743	3.30%	613,779	652,393	560,308	1,064,795	1,090,865
Tempe	1,634	7.26%	1,227,093	1,434,737	1,232,224	2,341,689	2,399,022
Tolleson Fire & PD	184	0.82%	159,949	161,562	138,757	263,691	270,147
Wickenburg	87	0.39%	65,335	76,391	65,608	124,680	127,732
Members Subtotal	22,163	98.41%	17,116,587.08	19,539,278.22	16,713,458.14	31,761,843.93	32,539,487.62
Associates							
AMR	281	1.25%	111,155	112,902	115,573	118,319	121,142
Maricopa Ambulance	78	0.35%	30,854	31,339	32,081	32,843	33,627
Associates Subtotal	359	1.59%	142,009.64	144,240.73	147,653.20	151,161.67	154,769.18
ESTIMATED TOTALS	22,522	100.00%	17,258,596.72	19,683,518.95	16,861,111.34	31,913,005.60	32,694,256.80

5-Year Budget Summary

RWC ANNUAL BUDGET	FY2026/27	FY2027/28	FY2028/29	FY2029/30	FY2030/31
Subscriber Rate	\$ 32.96	\$ 33.48	\$ 34.27	\$ 35.09	\$ 35.93
Estimated Subscriber Count	22,522	22,522	22,522	22,522	22,522
O&M, Staffing	\$ 8,909,028.00	\$ 9,048,996.72	\$ 9,263,079.05	\$ 9,483,184.46	\$ 9,709,502.85
Required Minimum Balance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
System Upgrade Agreement	\$ 2,570,934.91	\$ 2,593,700.94	\$ 2,853,071.04	\$ 3,138,378.14	\$ 3,452,215.95
Logging Recorders	\$ 472,735.56	\$ 79,010.04			
Comm Site Monitoring & Access Control Replacement Project	\$ 236,250.00	\$ 236,250.00	\$ 236,250.00	\$ 236,250.00	
Microwave System Lifecycle Replacement Project	\$ 643,125.00	\$ 643,125.00	\$ 643,125.00		
Radio Network Ethernet Lifecycle Replacement Project	\$ 848,000.25	\$ 848,000.25	\$ 848,000.25		
Motorola Dynamic System Resilience (DSR) Project	\$ 3,578,523.00				
Migration Assurance Program (MAP) Project		\$ 6,234,436.00	\$ 3,017,586.00	\$ 19,055,193.00	\$ 19,532,538.00
Total Budget	\$ 17,258,596.72	\$ 19,683,518.95	\$ 16,861,111.34	\$ 31,913,005.60	\$ 32,694,256.80

RECOMMENDATION

The Executive Director hereby recommends the Board approve the FY 2026/27 Subscriber Unit Rate of \$32.96, FY27 Budget, and 5-Year Plan and authorize RWC staff to assess the Members on a quarterly basis.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT

TO:	Regional Wireless Cooperative (RWC) Board Members	Agenda Date:	December 4, 2025
FROM:	John Imig, RWC Executive Director		Item 7
STAFF:	Almira Santos, RWC Accountant IV Mark Sampson, RWC Accountant I		
SUBJECT:	RWC CONVENTIONAL (VHF) NETWORK FISCAL YEAR 2026/27 SUBSCRIBER UNIT RATE, FY27 BUDGET OVERVIEW AND 5-YEAR PLAN		

BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to present the FY 2026/27 Subscriber Unit Rate, FY27 Budget Overview and 5-Year Plan for the RWC Conventional (VHF) Network.

THE ISSUE

- The Subscriber Unit Rate is determined by dividing the staffing, operations, and maintenance budget by the number of subscriber units estimated to be on the network in FY 2026/27.
- The rate for FY 2026/27, if approved, will be \$10.16, which represents a *decrease* of \$0.06 from the previous rate of \$10.22. This revised rate is based on the October 2025 Radio count. The reasons for the rate decrease include:
 - Telecom charges decreased to approximately \$27,000.
 - A 3.46% increase in the radio subscriber count resulted in a lower cost per radio.

Annual Staffing, O&M	\$ 591,650
Subscriber Units	4,852
Monthly Subscriber Rate	\$ 10.16

The RWC VHF Budget is made up of the following categories:

- City of Phoenix Information Technology Services (ITS) Department
 - Wireless Services, Microwave, and Network Services
- RWC Staffing
 - 1 Position

For planning purposes, the summary of the RWC Conventional (VHF) Network FY 2026/27 budget by Member and the 5-Year Plan is reflected as follows.

FY 2026/27 Budget by Member

Member	Radio Count as of Oct 2025	Staffing / O&M	VHF Tower End-of-life Project	Comm Site Video Monitoring & Site Access Project	Microwave Radio Lifecycle Replacement Project	Radio Network Ethernet Lifecycle Replacement Project	Total Budget
AFMA	267	\$ 33,046	\$ 19,615	\$ 4,398	\$ 11,974	\$ 15,788	\$ 84,820
Avondale	160	19,632	11,653	2,613	7,113	9,380	50,391
Buckeye	117	17,681	10,495	2,353	6,407	8,447	45,383
Chandler	161	21,461	12,739	2,857	7,776	10,253	55,086
Daisy Mountain	179	22,925	13,607	3,051	8,306	10,952	58,842
El Mirage	43	5,121	3,040	682	1,856	2,447	13,146
Glendale	267	30,607	18,167	4,074	11,090	14,623	78,560
Goodyear	169	23,900	14,186	3,181	8,660	11,419	61,346
Guadalupe	15	1,829	1,086	243	663	874	4,695
Harquahala FD	9	1,097	651	146	398	524	2,817
Maricopa	78	9,389	5,573	1,250	3,402	4,486	24,100
Peoria	197	23,778	14,114	3,165	8,616	11,360	61,033
Phoenix	2,182	266,803	158,364	35,512	96,672	127,468	684,820
Scottsdale	281	35,606	21,134	4,739	12,901	17,011	91,393
Sun City Fire	62	8,048	4,777	1,071	2,916	3,845	20,657
Surprise	151	26,339	15,634	3,506	9,543	12,584	67,606
Tempe	316	38,899	23,089	5,178	14,094	18,584	99,843
Tolleson	38	5,487	3,257	730	1,988	2,622	14,085
Members Subtotal	4,692	\$ 591,650	\$ 351,180	\$ 78,750	\$ 214,375	\$ 282,667	\$ 1,518,622

5-Year Plan

RWC Conventional Network (VHF) ANNUAL BUDGET	FY2026/27	FY2027/28	FY2028/29	FY2029/30	FY3029/31
Subscriber Rate	\$ 10.16	\$ 10.33	\$ 10.50	\$ 10.68	\$ 10.86
Estimated Subscriber Count	4,852	4,852	4,852	4,852	4,852
O&M, Staffing	\$ 591,650.00	\$ 601,357.30	\$ 611,379.87	\$ 621,731.31	\$ 632,425.92
Required Minimum Balance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
VHF Equipment End-of-Life Project	\$ 351,180.00	\$ 351,180.00	\$ 351,180.00	\$ 351,180.00	
Comm Site Video Monitoring & Site Access Project	\$ 78,750.00	\$ 78,750.00	\$ 78,750.00	\$ 78,750.00	
Microwave Radio Lifecycle Replacement Project	\$ 214,375.00	\$ 214,375.00	\$ 214,375.00		
Radio Network Ethernet Lifecycle Replacement Project	\$ 282,666.75	\$ 282,666.75	\$ 282,666.75		
Total Budget	\$1,518,621.75	\$1,528,329.05	\$1,538,351.62	\$1,051,661.31	\$ 632,425.92

RECOMMENDATION

The Executive Director hereby recommends that the Board approve the FY 2026/27 Conventional (VHF) Subscriber Unit Rate of \$10.16, the FY27 Budget, and the 5-Year Plan, and authorizes RWC staff to assess Members on a quarterly basis.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT

TO:	Regional Wireless Cooperative (RWC) Board Members	Agenda Date:	Dec 4, 2025
FROM:	John Imig, RWC Executive Director		Item 8
STAFF:	Nicholas Roosevelt, RWC Management Assistant II		
SUBJECT:	BOARD RESOLUTION: INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT (IGA) BETWEEN THE TOWN OF GUADALUPE FIRE DEPARTMENT (GFD) AND THE ARIZONA FIRE MEDICAL AUTHORITY (AFMA)		

BACKGROUND

The RWC Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA), Section 21, Assignment and Binding Effect, states *"No assignment shall be allowed without the prior written consent of the Board of Directors."*

In October 2025, GFD informed the RWC that they had entered into an IGA for transference of fire services to AFMA.

THE ISSUE

To complete the assignment of GFD membership interests within the RWC IGA to AFMA, the Board of Directors must take formal action by resolution (Attachment A).

If approved, this action will reduce total Board representation from 22 to 21 Members as GFD's interests in the RWC will be represented by AFMA.

AFMA has submitted its request for the above changes in compliance with RWC Governance and Policy.

RECOMMENDATION

The RWC Executive Director hereby recommends the Board of Directors, by resolution, consent to the assignment of the Guadalupe Fire Department and its respective interests in the RWC to the Arizona Fire and Medical Authority.

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGIONAL WIRELESS COOPERATIVE**

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Regional Wireless Cooperative (“RWC”), an unincorporated association of the Parties signatory to that certain Amended and Restated Intergovernmental Agreement to Plan, Design, Construct, Operate, Maintain and Finance the Regional Wireless Cooperative Network, is authorized to conduct business and adopt resolutions in accordance with the RWC IGA and the Regional Wireless Cooperative Governance Document;

WHEREAS, the Town of Guadalupe Fire Department (“GFD”) and the Arizona Fire & Medical Authority (“AFMA”), both current members of the RWC, entered into that certain Intergovernmental Agreement effective October 11, 2025 (“AFMA IGA”);

WHEREAS, pursuant to the AFMA IGA, GFD assigned its rights and obligations under the RWC IGA to AFMA and AFMA assumed such rights and obligations (the “Assignment”); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Regional Wireless Cooperative wishes to grant its consent to the Assignment as stated below.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Regional Wireless Cooperative hereby approves and grants its consent to the Assignment, subject to the following conditions: (i) AFMA shall maintain participation membership in the RWC under its own name and shall fully assume all obligations formerly held by GFD in the RWC; (ii) GFD’s participation membership in the RWC under its own name is dissolved; (iii) AFMA shall not be entitled to any additional participant rights or benefits under the RWC following the Assignment; and (iv) AFMA’s entitlement to representation on the RWC Board of Directors and other groups, committees, and bodies described in Section 2 of the Regional Wireless Cooperative Governance Document shall remain unchanged as set forth therein.

PASSED by the Board of Directors of the Regional Wireless Cooperative on this 4th day of December 2025.

Signed: _____
Val Gale
Board Chair
Regional Wireless Cooperative



BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT

TO:	Regional Wireless Cooperative (RWC) Board Members	Agenda Date:	December 4, 2025
FROM:	John Imig, RWC Executive Director		Item 9
STAFF:	Nicholas Roosevelt, RWC Management Assistant II		
SUBJECT:	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT		

BACKGROUND

The Executive Director will brief the Board of Directors on the following items:

- A) RWC External Audit Update
- B) CY 2026 Meeting Dates (Attachment B)
- C) UASI Grant Submission
- D) New Executive Committee Chair

RECOMMENDATION

This item is for information and discussion.



2026 RWC Board of Directors Meetings

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
Thursday, February 26th 10:00 – 11:30	City of Phoenix Public Transit Building 302 N. 1 st Avenue <i>MAG – Ironwood Room (2nd Floor)</i>
Thursday, May 28th 10:00 – 11:30	WebEx
Thursday, August 27th 10:00 – 11:30	WebEx
Thursday, December 3rd 10:00 – 11:30	City of Phoenix Public Transit Building 302 N. 1 st Avenue <i>MAG – Room TBD</i>