

September 16, 2003

TO: Members of the MAG Telecommunications Advisory Group

FROM: Greg Binder, Phoenix, Chairman

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Thursday, September 25, 2003, 10:00 a.m.
MAG Office, Suite 200, Cholla Room
302 North 1st Avenue, Phoenix

A meeting of the MAG Telecommunications Advisory Group (TAG) will be held at the time and place noted above. Members of the Telecommunications Advisory Group may attend in person, by videoconference or by telephone conference call. Those attending by telephone conference call are requested to call 602-261-7510 between 9:55 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. After the prompt, please enter the meeting ID number 624824 (MAGTAG) on your telephone key pad followed by the pound key. If you have a problem or require assistance, dial 0 after calling the number above. Those attending by videoconference are requested to contact MAG by Tuesday, September 23, 2003.

If you are attending in person, please park in the garage under the Compass Bank Building. Bring your ticket to the meeting, parking will be validated. For those using transit, the Regional Public Transportation Authority will provide transit tickets for your trip. For those using bicycles, please lock your bicycle in the bike rack in the garage.

Please be advised that under procedures approved by the MAG Regional Council on June 26, 1996, all MAG committees need to have a quorum in order to conduct business. A quorum is a simple majority of the membership, or 9 people for the MAGTAG. **If you are unable to attend the meeting, please make arrangements for a proxy from your jurisdiction to represent you.**

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Heidi Pahl at (602) 254-6300.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

ADVISORY GROUP ACTION REQUESTED

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

2. Approval of August 28, 2003 Meeting Minutes

3. Member Agencies and Public Safety Telecommunications

As part of the Information Sharing Working Group initiative to educate and inform TAG and others on various telecommunications issues, one agenda item each meeting will be devoted to an informational telecommunication issue. For this informational session, a panel of four guest speakers will discuss member agency and public safety telecommunications. City of Phoenix 911 staff will discuss the MAG Region Community Emergency Notification System (CENS) otherwise known as Reverse 911; Phoenix staff will discuss the Phoenix Regional Wireless Network (PRWN) which is a Mesa and Phoenix plan to implement a public safety and public service radio network; Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) staff will speak on the ADOT Freeway Management System (FMS) usage of telecommunications for incident response and coordination with MAG member agencies; and the Department of Public Safety (DPS) will discuss what Arizona DPS is doing with IP and how it will touch MAG member agencies. Please invite interested parties from your agency.

4. MAGTAG Working Group Projects

At the April meeting of the MAGTAG, members voted to recommend approval of a Digital Oasis Project, formerly Regional Telecommunications Strategy (RTS). The Digital Oasis working group has met to finalize the scope of work for this project. An update will be provided.

2. Review and approve August 28, 2003 meeting minutes.

5 minutes

3. For information and discussion.

70 minutes

4. For information and discussion.

10 minutes

Also at the April meeting of the MAGTAG members voted to recommend approval of the purchase of high quality speaker phones, a web based scheduling package for the RVS and a new server for Latitude applications. Since that time, MAG staff have received demos from four web based scheduling package vendors, and the vendors have completed a product requirements spreadsheet. An update on the Additional Sites and Outreach project will be provided.

At the last meeting of the MAGTAG, members requested that the Information Sharing Working Group arrange informational sessions on telecommunications related issues for future MAGTAG meetings. An update will be provided.

5. Announcements and Public Input

An opportunity will be provided to Committee members and members of the public to address the MAGTAG.

6. Date of Future Meetings

MAGTAG meetings are held once a month. The next meeting of the MAGTAG is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Thursday October 23, 2003 in the MAG Cholla room. The remainder of meetings for 2003 are as follows:

November 20, 2003

December 18, 2003

5. For information and discussion.
10 minutes

6. For information and discussion.