

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES DRAFT MINUTES

MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2023, 6:30 P.M.
PUBLIC COMMENT IN-PERSON/TELEPHONE
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER
3900 MAIN STREET, RIVERSIDE, CA 92522

PRESENT: Chair David Crohn, Vice Chair Rebeccah Goldware, and Board Members

Nipunjeet Gujral, Rosemary Heru, Nancy Melendez, Gary Montgomery,

Gil Oceguera, and Peter Wohlgemuth

ABSENT: None

Chair Crohn called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Member Oceguera led the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Tom Evans spoke regarding Riverside Accelerating Clean Energy by 2040 (RACE/2040) Study and contract. Jason Hunter spoke regarding an upcoming rate case, a committee or ad hoc committee regarding non-rate payer revenue, and bond funds.

CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Member Melendez and seconded by Member Oceguera to approve the Consent Calendar as presented below affirming the actions appropriate to each item. The motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of December 12, 2022, were approved as presented.

ABSENCE

The Board of Public Utilities excused the absence of Chair Crohn from the December 12, 2022, meeting.

WORK ORDER 2225902 - MONTEEL PLACE WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT

The Board of Public Utilities approved the increased expenditure of \$72,000 for Work Order 2225902 for a revised total of \$306,000 for all engineering, construction, paving, and construction contingency costs for the Monteel Place Water Main Replacement Project.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

WORK ORDER 2116992 - SUGARLOAF BOOSTER STATION TO PRESSURE REDUCING STATION CONVERSION PROJECT

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Oceguera and seconded by Member Gujral to approve Work Order 2116992 in the total amount of \$464,000 for engineering, construction, paving, and construction contingency costs for the Sugarloaf Booster Station to Pressure Reducing Station Conversion Project. The motion carried unanimously.



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WORK ORDER 2223436 - DONALD AVENUE WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Oceguera and seconded by Member Montgomery to approve Work Order 2223436 in the total amount of \$721,000 for engineering, construction, paving and construction contingency costs for the Donald Avenue Water Main Replacement Project. The motion carried unanimously.

WORK ORDER 2217514 - CHESTNUT STREET WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Melendez and seconded by Vice Chair Goldware to approve Work Order 2217514 in the total amount of \$576,000 for engineering, construction, paving and construction contingency costs for the Chestnut Street Water Main Replacement Project. The motion carried unanimously.

2022 STATE WATER LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Montgomery and seconded by Member Melendez to receive and ordered filed the 2022 State water legislative update. The motion carried unanimously.

BOARD MEMBER/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

SYSTEMATIC REPORTING ON MEETINGS, CONFERENCES, AND SEMINARS BY BOARD MEMBERS AND/OR STAFF

Member Wohlgemuth provided an Ad Hoc Committee on selective fiscal practices update.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES CONSIDERATION

Chair Crohn requested staff (1) provide Water education to Board of Public Utilities members including but not limited to water rights, basin conditions, and Western Municipal Water District; and (2) bring back information to the Board regarding the feasibility of departmental equipment sharing and resources for asphalt repairs.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Following discussion and without formal motion, the Board of Public Utilities received and ordered filed the General Manager's reports including an announcement regarding new City Manager Mike Futrell's first day, an update on the Springs Power Plant, and the: (1) impact of COVID-19 Pandemic and Emergency Orders update; (2) WA-12 Agricultural Service Water Rate report as of November 30, 2022; (3) 2022A water revenue bonds and remarketing of 2011A variable rate refunding water revenue bonds update; (4) Power and Water Supply Reports as of November 2022; (5) Electric and Water Contractor and Consultants Panel updates for October 2022; (6) Customer Engagement Program updates through November 2022; (7) Southern California Public Power Authority agendas and



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minutes; (8) list of upcoming Board of Public Utilities and City Council meetings; and (9) Electric and Water utility acronyms.

The Board of Public Utilities adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

LORENA VERDUSCO Deputy City Clerk