

## BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES DRAFT MINUTES

MONDAY, AUGUST 12, 2024, 6:30 P.M.  
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER  
3900 MAIN STREET, RIVERSIDE, CA 92522

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PRESENT: Chair Gildardo Ocegüera, Vice Chair Rebeccah Goldware and Board Members Peter Wohlgemuth, Brian Siana, Sandra Polichetti, Warren Avery, Gary Montgomery, Nancy Melendez, and Rosemary Heru

ABSENT: None

Chair Ocegüera called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

Board Member Siana led the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### PUBLIC COMMENT IN-PERSON/TELEPHONE

Tom Evans spoke regarding the Electric Public Benefits Charge. Jason Hunter spoke regarding the Code of Ethics. Malissa Mckeith spoke regarding the State of California Conservation as the Way of Life and Western Municipal extracting unused ground water from Riverside.

### COMMUNICATIONS

#### BOARD MEMBERS DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest declared at this time.

### CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Board Member Melendez and seconded by Board Member Wohlgemuth 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 July 22, 2024, were approved as presented.

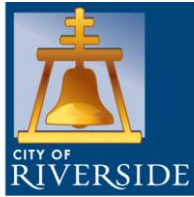
### ABSENCE

The Board of Public Utilities excused the absence of Board Member Siana from the Board of Public Utilities meeting held on July 8, 2024.

### DISCUSSION CALENDAR

#### WORK ORDER 2214679 - MONTICELLO AVENUE WATER PIPELINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Siana and seconded by Board Member Avery to bring Work Order 2214679 in the total amount of \$2,418,000 for all engineering, construction, paving and construction contingency costs for the Monticello Avenue Water Pipeline Replacement Project with Resolution No. 15507 back to a future meeting. Motion failed with Board Members Wohlgemuth, Siana, Avery, and Montgomery voting aye, and Chair Ocegüera, Vice Chair Goldware, Member Polichetti, Member Melendez, and Member Heru voting no.



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Following further discussion, it was moved by Vice Chair Goldware and seconded by Board Member Melendez to forward Work Order 2214679 in the total amount of \$2,418,000 for all engineering, construction, paving and construction contingency costs for the Monticello Avenue Water Pipeline Replacement Project to the City Council for approval. Motion passed with Chair Ocegüera, Vice Chair Goldware, Board Members Wohlgemuth, Polichetti, Melendez, and Heru voting aye, and Board Members Siana, Avery, and Montgomery voting no.

### FIFTH AMENDMENT TO MASTER AGREEMENTS - WATER DIVISION PAVING CONTRACTOR PANEL - RESOLUTION

Following discussion it was moved by Board Member Avery and seconded by Board Member Siana that the Board of Public Utilities (1) approve the Fifth Amendment to Master Agreements for the Water Division Paving Contractor Panel for a three-year extension with: (a) All American Asphalt, Corona, CA; (b) Hardy and Harper, Inc., Santa Ana, CA; (c) R.J. Noble Co., Orange, CA; and (d) Ben's Asphalt and Maintenance Company, Inc., Riverside; and (2) recommend that the City Council adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to award works of public construction to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for construction not-to-exceed \$950,000, for projects advertised for bid under the Water Division Paving Panel, if the expenditure has been approved by the Board of Public Utilities or the City Council, as applicable. The motion carried unanimously.

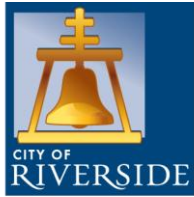
### WORK ORDER 2214679 - MONTICELLO AVENUE WATER PIPELINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Following further discussion, it was moved by Vice Chair Goldware and seconded by Board Member Melendez to (1) rescind the action taken earlier in the meeting by the Board to forward Work Order 2214679 in the total amount of \$2,418,000 for all engineering, construction, paving and construction contingency costs for the Monticello Avenue Water Pipeline Replacement Project to the City Council; and (2) approve Work Order 2214679 in the total amount of \$2,418,000 for all engineering, construction, paving and construction contingency costs for the Monticello Avenue Water Pipeline Replacement Project. Motion passed with Chair Ocegüera, Vice Chair Goldware, Board Members Wohlgemuth, Siana, Polichetti, Melendez, and Heru voting aye and Board Members Avery and Montgomery voting no.

### BOARD MEMBER/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

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

There were no reports given at this time.



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### ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES CONSIDERATION

Board Member Avery requested a report on Resolution No. 15507 for discussion and a presentation on the Electric Benefits Charge.

### 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: (1) WA-12 Agricultural Service Water Rate Report as of June 30, 2024; (2) Customer Engagement program updates through June 2024; (3) Electric and Water Open Work Orders over \$200,000 and Closed Work Orders Summary Reports for June 2024; (4) Southern California Public Power Authority Agenda and Minutes; (5) a list of upcoming City Council and Board meetings; and (6) Electric/Water Utility Acronyms.

The Board of Public Utilities adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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DIANA ALEGRIA  
Deputy City Clerk