

## BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES DRAFT MINUTES

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 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, and Rosemary Heru

ABSENT: Board Member Nancy Melendez

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

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

Chair Ocegüera commenced the meeting in memory of David Melendez.

### PUBLIC COMMENT IN-PERSON/TELEPHONE

Tom Evans spoke regarding the Agricultural Innovation and non-potable water. Malissa McKeith spoke regarding non-potable water usage. Jason Hunter spoke regarding Charter Section 1109.

### COMMUNICATIONS

Sustainability Manager, Fortino Morales, provided the Riverside Public Utilities sustainability efforts update.

### 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 Avery and seconded by Board Member Siana to approve the Consent Calendar as presented below affirming the actions appropriate to each item. The motion carried unanimously with Board Member Melendez absent.

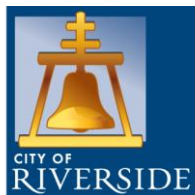
### MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of September 9, 2024, were approved as presented.

### DISCUSSION CALENDAR

#### WORK ORDER 2429762 - CONTINUOUS EMISSIONS MONITORING SYSTEM UPGRADES AT SPRINGS POWER PLANT

Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Avery and seconded by Board Member Siana to (1) approve a services agreement with CEMTEK Environmental, Inc., Santa Ana, to perform continuous emissions monitoring system upgrades at Springs Power Plant in the amount not to exceed \$703,166; (2) authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the services agreement with CEMTEK Environmental, Inc., including making non-substantive



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changes; and (3) approve Work Order 2429762 in the amount not to exceed \$703,166. The motion carried unanimously with Board Member Melendez absent.

### U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY'S STATE AND TRIBAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS PROGRAM - RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT'S PFAS TREATMENT PROJECT

Following discussion, it was moved by Vice Chair Goldware and seconded by Board Member Siana to recommend that the City Council (1) authorize application to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's State and Tribal Assistance Grants Program for the Riverside Public Utilities Department's PFAS Treatment Project; (2) upon Grant award, authorize the City to receive a Congressional earmark in the amount of \$959,752 from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's State and Tribal Assistance Grants Program for the Riverside Public Utilities Department's PFAS Treatment Project; (3) with five affirmative votes, authorize the Chief Financial Officer, or his designee, to record an increase in estimated revenues and a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$959,752 in the Water Fund State Operating Grants revenue and PFAS – Grant Portion expenditure accounts; (4) with five affirmative votes, authorize the Chief Financial Officer, or his designee, to record an appropriation transfer of \$239,938 from the Public Utilities Facility Rehab Account to the PFAS – RPU Portion Account; and (5) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to sign all necessary documents for the application to, and implementation of this grant program including application materials, contracts, extensions, and other necessary documents related to the application and implementation of the grant funds. The motion carried unanimously with Board Member Melendez absent.

### BLACK & VEATCH CORPORATION PRESENTATION ON CITY OF RIVERSIDE'S ZERO-EMISSION VEHICLE TRANSITION PLAN

Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Siana and seconded by Board Member Wohlgemuth to receive, and order filed the presentation on the Zero-Emission Vehicle Transition Plan study conducted by Black & Veatch. The motion carried unanimously with Board Member Melendez absent.

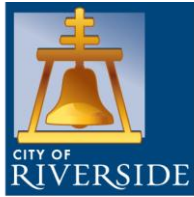
### BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES 2024 ANNUAL WORKPLAN 6-MONTH UPDATE

Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Avery and seconded by Board Member Siana that the Board of Public Utilities review and discuss the 6-month update to the Board of Public Utilities 2024 Workplan. The motion carried unanimously with Board Member Melendez absent.

### 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 Wohlgemuth requested staff provide a report on the Northside Agricultural Center use of non-potable water.

### 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) Power Supply Report for July 2024; (2) Water Supply Report for July 31, 2024; (3) Electric and Water Contractor and Consultant Panel updates for July 2024; (4) Accounts Receivable and Delinquencies as of July 31, 2024; (5) a list of upcoming City Council and Board meetings; and (6) Electric/Water Utility Acronyms.

The Board of Public Utilities adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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DIANA ALEGRIA  
Deputy City Clerk