

City of Arts & Innovation

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES MINUTES

MONDAY, MARCH 22, 2021, 6:30 P.M.
VIRTUAL MEETING

PUBLIC COMMENT VIA TELEPHONE
3900 MAIN STREET, RIVERSIDE, CA 92522

PRESENT: Chair Elizabeth Sanchez-Monville, Vice-Chair David Crohn, and Members Ana Miramontes, Gil Oceguera, Andrew Walcker, and Peter Wohlgemuth

ABSENT: None

Chair Sanchez-Monville called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. and led the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Jason Hunter spoke regarding non-rate payer revenues, General Fund revenue, and Southern California Public Power Authority supported projects.

CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Member Walcker and seconded by Member Oceguera to approve the Consent Calendar as presented below affirming the actions appropriate to each item with the Southern California Public Power Authority expenditures update item removed from the Consent Calendar for separate discussion. The motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of March 8, 2021, were approved as presented.

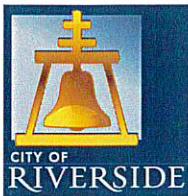
DISCUSSION CALENDAR

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PUBLIC POWER AUTHORITY SEMI-ANNUAL EXPENDITURES FOR JULY THROUGH DECEMBER 2020 UPDATE

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Oceguera and seconded by Member Miramontes to (1) correct reference of expenditure report from biannual to semi-annual; (2) receive and file the Southern California Public Power Authority semi-annual expenditure report for the period of July through December 2020; and (3) recommend that the City Council receive and file the Southern California Public Power Authority semi-annual expenditure report update for the period of July through December 2020. The motion carried unanimously.

RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES GROUNDWATER ATLAS UPDATE

Following discussion, it was moved by Vice-Chair Crohn and seconded by Member Oceguera to receive and order filed the update on the RPU's Groundwater Atlas. The motion carried unanimously.



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RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT FISCAL YEAR 2021/22 PROPOSED BUDGET

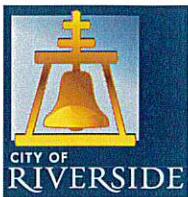
Following discussion, it was moved by Member Miramontes and seconded by Member Oceguera recommending that City Council (1) approve the Electric Funds (including the Public Benefits Fund) proposed Fiscal Year 2021/22 budget totaling \$404.1 million in revenues, \$411.2 million in operating expenditures and \$48.3 million in capital improvements, with the anticipated difference between revenues and expenditures including capital improvements to be covered by \$38.4 million in bond proceeds and \$17.0 million from reserves; (2) authorize the use of the Designated Electric Fund Capital Repair/Replacement Reserve for technology replacements in the amount of \$200,000 for Fiscal Year 2021/22; (3) authorize the use of the Designated Electric Fund Dark Fiber Reserve for dark fiber leasing operating expenses in the amount of \$600,000 for Fiscal Year 2021/22; and (4) approve the Water Funds (including Water Conservation Fund) proposed Fiscal Year 2021/22 budget totaling \$86.1 million in revenues, \$78.9 million in operating expenditures and \$21.5 million in capital improvements, with the anticipated difference between revenues and expenditures including capital improvements expected to be covered by bond proceeds of \$18.1 million and returning \$3.8 million to reserves. The motion carried unanimously.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 2021 AGREEMENT WITH PACIFIC ADVANCED CIVIL ENGINEERING, INC. - GARNER B TREATMENT PLANT CONDITION ASSESSMENT

Following discussion, it was moved by Vice-Chair Crohn and seconded by Member Wohlgemuth to (1) approve the Professional Consultant Services Agreement with Pacific Advanced Civil Engineering, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$72,620.00 for the Condition Assessment of Garner B Treatment Plant in response to Request for Proposal 2021; and (2) authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute a Professional Consultant Services Agreement with Pacific Advanced Civil Engineering, Inc., including making minor and non-substantive changes and to sign all documents and instruments necessary to complete the transactions. The motion carried unanimously.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH SANTA ANA WATERSHED PROJECT AUTHORITY - WATER ENERGY COMMUNITY ACTION NETWORK'S TURF REMOVAL PROGRAM

Following discussion, it was moved by Vice-Chair Crohn and seconded by Member Miramontes recommending that the City Council (1) approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Riverside Public Utilities and the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority to implement and administer the Water Energy Community Action Network's turf removal program; and (2) authorize a grant match in the amount of \$100,000 from the Public Utilities Water Conservation and Reclamation Fund (521) Unprogrammed Funds Account. The motion carried unanimously.



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FIFTH AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT WITH POWER ENGINEERS, INC., - RIVERSIDE TRANSMISSION RELIABILITY PROJECT

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Walcker and seconded by Member Miramontes to (1) approve the Fifth Amendment to the Professional Consultant Services Agreement with Power Engineers, Inc., Meridian, Idaho, to extend the term by five years ending December 31, 2026, and increase the amount of the agreement by \$5,363,396, for a total contract cost of \$21,672,210 for engineering services related to Riverside Transmission Reliability Project components; (2) approve a change order authority in an amount not to exceed 20 percent, or \$1,072,679, of the amended contract amount of \$5,363,396; and (3) authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the Fifth Amendment to the Professional Consultant Services Agreement with Power Engineers, Inc., including making minor and non-substantive changes. The motion carried unanimously.

BOARD MEMBER/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

The Riverside Public Utilities sustainability efforts update was presented.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES CONSIDERATION

Chair Sanchez-Monville requested reports on sustainability, Riverside Transmission Reliability Project, policy initiatives, water and electric issues, and an initiative on Strategic Operational audit as it relates to Utility 2.0 for future Board of Public Utilities meetings. Vice-Chair Crohn requested a status of the fiber issue and Board of Public Utilities responsibility. Member Wohlgemuth requested information on initial funding of dark fiber.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Following discussion and without formal motion, the Board of Public Utilities received and ordered filed the (1) update on the impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic and Emergency Orders; (2) Electric/Water Contractor and Consultant contract panel updates; (3) list of upcoming Board of Public Utilities and City Council meetings; and (4) Electric and Water utility acronyms.

The Board of Public Utilities adjourned at 10:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

EVA ARSEO

Assistant City Clerk