



BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES DRAFT MINUTES

MONDAY, AUGUST 11, 2025, 6:30 P.M.
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER
3900 MAIN STREET, RIVERSIDE, CA 92522

City of Arts & Innovation

PRESENT: Chair Rebecca Goldware, Vice Chair Brian Siana, and Board Members Peter Wohlgemuth, Jordan Wright, Warren Avery, Gary Montgomery, Tom Evans, and Mikael Becker

ABSENT: None

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

Board Member Wright led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENT IN-PERSON/TELEPHONE

There was no one wishing to address the Board of Public Utilities.

COMMUNICATIONS

BOARD MEMBERS DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest declared at this time.

CONSENT CALENDAR

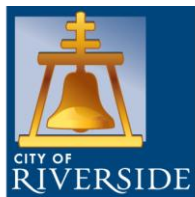
It was moved by Board Member Avery and seconded by Vice Chair Siana to approve the Consent Calendar as presented below affirming the actions appropriate to each item. The motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES

The minutes for the meeting of July 28, 2025, were approved as presented.

AWARD BID 8172 - WORK ORDER 2514460 - MERRILL AVENUE TRANSFORMER P753 UPGRADE PROJECT

The Board of Public Utilities (1) awarded Bid 8172 to Doty Bros. Equipment Company, Norwalk, for the Merrill Avenue Transformer P753 Upgrade Project, in the amount of \$73,828; (2) authorized change order authority, if needed, for the Doty Bros. Equipment Company, Construction Contract in a not-to-exceed amount of 10 percent, or \$7,382.80, for Bid 8172; (3) approved Work Order 2514460 for the capital expenditure of \$120,000 which includes design, construction, construction support, contract administration, inspection, and construction change order authority costs for the Merrill Avenue Transformer P753 Upgrade Project; and (4) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the project described in staff report, as well as the ability to make minor non-substantive changes in alignment with all purchasing policies.



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SERVICES AGREEMENT - REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 2449 FOR SAMPLE PORT REPAIRS - PALMYRITA WATER TREATMENT PLANT

The Board of Public Utilities (1) approved a Services Agreement from Request for Proposal 2449 for sample port repairs at the Palmyrita Water Treatment Plant with Vicon Enterprise Incorporated, Anaheim, in the amount of \$290,500; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Service Agreement and additional extensions, as well as any other documents necessary to effectuate the project described in staff report, as well as the ability to make minor non-substantive changes in accordance with all purchasing policies.

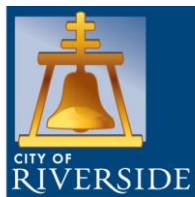
PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT - REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 2434 - PERFORM ELECTRICAL STUDIES AT VARIOUS WATER UTILITY FACILITIES

The Board of Public Utilities recommended that the City Council (1) approve a Professional Consultant Services Agreement from RFP 2434 for Professional Engineering Services to Perform Electrical Studies at Various Water Utility Facilities with KEWO Engineering Corporation, Inc., Diamond Bar, for a five-year term until December 31, 2030, in a not-to-exceed amount of \$150,000 annually on as needed basis; and (2) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Professional Consultant Services Agreement and any other documents necessary to effectuate the project described in staff report, as well as the ability to make minor non-substantive changes in accordance with all purchasing policies.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION - COMMUNITY ENERGY RELIABILITY AND RESILIENCE INVESTMENT APPLICATION - DEPLOYMENT OF THE WILDFIRE MITIGATION PLAN PREVENTION STRATEGIES

Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Evans and seconded by Board Member Wohlgemuth to approve and recommend that the City Council (1) authorize the Public Utilities Department to submit a Community Energy Reliability and Resilience Investment application to the California Energy Commission in an amount up to \$5.25 million and grant match funds of \$2 million for deployment of the Wildfire Mitigation Plan prevention strategies; (2) upon grant award, authorize the City to receive \$5.25 million from the California Energy Commission Community Energy Reliability and Resilience Investment Grant Program for deployment of the Wildfire Mitigation Plan prevention strategies; (3) with at least five affirmative votes, and upon receipt of grant of award, authorize the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, to record an increase in revenues and a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$5.25 million, or the actual award amount, in the Electric Fund Federal Operating Grants revenue and CERRI Grant – Wildfire Mitigation Plan Project Grant portion expenditure accounts; and (4) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents and instruments necessary related to the application for grant funding to participate and take all necessary actions required or advisable to implement, administer and carry out the responsibilities under the California Energy Commission Community Energy Reliability and



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Resilience Investment Grant Program, including making minor and non-substantive changes and to execute corrections and amendments as necessary. The motion carried unanimously.

AWARD BID 8143 - DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, CONSTRUCTION SUPPORT, CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION, INSPECTION AND CONSTRUCTION - WORK ORDER 2321787 - CIRCUIT 1502 SWITCH REPLACEMENT PROJECT, PHASE 2

Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Montgomery and seconded by Board Member Becker to (1) award Bid 8143 to Asplundh Construction, LLC, Buena Park, for the Circuit 1502 Switch Replacement Project, Phase 2, in the amount of \$283,512.10; (2) authorize change order authority, if needed, to Asplundh Construction, LLC, Construction Contract in a not-to-exceed amount of 10 percent, or \$28,351.21 for Bid 8143; (3) approve Work Order 2321787 for the capital expenditure of \$1,190,000 which includes all design, construction, construction support, contract administration, inspection and construction change order authority costs for the Circuit 1502 Switch Replacement Project, Phase 2; and (4) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the project described in staff report, as well as the ability to make minor non-substantive changes in alignment with all purchasing policies. The motion carried unanimously.

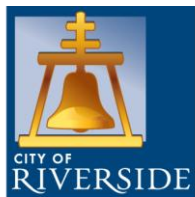
RATIFY EXPENDITURE FOR GAS TURBINE REPAIRS ON UNIT 2 AT RIVERSIDE ENERGY RESOURCE CENTER - WORK ORDER 2510864

Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Evans and seconded by Board Member Avery to (1) ratify the expenditure with GE Vernova Operations, LLC., Houston, Texas in the amount of \$2,923,122 for gas turbine repairs on Unit 2 at Riverside Energy Resource Center due to the urgent necessity for protection and preservation of public life, health, and property; and (2) approve Work Order 2510864 in the amount of \$2,923,122. The motion carried unanimously.

CHANGE ORDER AUTHORITY FOR PURCHASE ORDER 253356 FOR ELECTRIC METERS - WORK ORDER 2508277

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Avery to approve a 10 percent, or \$1,535,000, change order authority for Purchase Order 253356 with McAvoy and Markham for 80,000 electric meters, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$1,535,000 for Work Order 2508277 bringing the total Work Order amount from \$25,250,000 to \$26,785,000, only after the City Attorney's Office has reviewed the contract and agrees that the manufacture has the ability to change the price in the five year term. The motion failed for lack of a second.

Following further discussion, it was moved by Vice Chair Siana and seconded by Board Member Becker to approve a 10 percent, or \$1,535,000, change order authority for Purchase Order 253356 with McAvoy and Markham for 80,000 electric meters, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$1,535,000 for Work Order 2508277 bringing the total Work Order amount from



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\$25,250,000 to \$26,785,000. The motion carried with Chair Goldware, Vice Chair Siana, and Board Members Wohlgemuth, Wright, Montgomery, and Becker voting aye, Board Member Avery abstaining and Board Member Evans voting no.

RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES 2024 GROUNDWATER ATLAS UPDATE
This item was pulled from the agenda.

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.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES CONSIDERATION
Board Member Montgomery requested staff provide a list to Board Members of all future items requested.

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 for June 30, 2025; (2) Electric and Water Open Work Orders over \$200,000 and Closed Work Orders Summary Reports for June 2025; (3) Board Work Plan status and future board items of July 8, 2025; (4) a list of upcoming City Council and Board meetings; and (5) Electric/Water Utility Acronyms.

The Board of Public Utilities adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DIANA ALEGRIA
Deputy City Clerk