

# BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES MINUTES

MONDAY, APRIL 28, 2025, 6:30 P.M. ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER 3900 MAIN STREET, RIVERSIDE, CA 92522

City of Arts & Innovation

PRESENT: Chair Rebeccah Goldware, Vice Chair Brian Siana, and Board Members Peter Wohlgemuth, Warren Avery, and Gary Montgomery

# ABSENT: Board Members Tom Evans and Mikael Becker

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

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

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT IN-PERSON/TELEPHONE</u> There was no one wishing to address the Board of Public Utilities.

# COMMUNICATIONS

RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES SUSTAINABILITY EFFORTS UPDATE Tracy Sato 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 Vice Chair Siana to approve the Consent Calendar as presented below affirming the actions appropriate to each item except for the item to recommend the City Council amend and extend an existing revolving credit agreement with the Water Utility for \$25 million and with the Electric Utility for \$35 million removed from the Consent Calendar for separate discussion. The motion carried unanimously.

## MINUTES

The minutes of April 14, 2025, were approved as presented.

## ABSENCE

The Board of Public Utilities excused the absence of Board Chair Goldware from the Board of Public Utilities meeting held March 24, 2025.

## ABSENCE

The Board of Public Utilities excused the absence of Vice Chair Siana from the Board of Public Utilities meeting held March 24, 2025.



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WORK ORDER 2517602 - COMPUTER DISCOUNT WAREHOUSE - GOVERNMENT - PROCUREMENT OF SERVERS AND LICENSES

Board of Public Utilities (1) approved the expenditures of \$257,037, for the procurement of servers and licenses from Computer Discount Warehouse - Government (CDW-G) to replace four (4) failed units at Utilities Operations datacenter and two (2) units to support PI on the new Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition system; and (2) approved Work Order 2517602 in the amount of \$257,037, with a 10 percent contingency in the amount of \$25,703, for a total amount of \$282,741.

WORK ORDER 2505672 - BID RPU-8135 TO OUTSOURCE UTILITY CONTRACTOR LLC, TORRANCE, FOR SWITCH SUBSTRUCTURE INSTALLATION PROJECT

The Board of Public Utilities (1) awarded Bid RPU-8135 to Outsource Utility Contractor LLC, Torrance, CA, for the Switch Substructure Installation Project, in the amount of \$90,341.93; (2) approved the capital expenditure for Work Order 2505672 in the amount of \$116,000 which includes all design, construction, construction support, contract administration, inspection and construction change order authority costs for the Switch Substructure Installation Project; and (3) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the project described herein, as well as the ability to make minor non-substantive changes in alignment with all purchasing policies.

# **DISCUSSION CALENDAR**

PUBLIC HEARING TO AMEND AND EXTEND AN EXISTING REVOLVING CREDIT AGREEMENT WITH WATER UTILITY AND WITH ELECTRIC UTILITY - RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CERTAIN ACTIONS RELATED TO THE EXTENSION OF A SUBORDINATE LINE OF CREDIT FOR THE WATER SYSTEM AND ELECTRIC SYSTEM

Following discussion, it was moved by Vice Chair Siana and seconded by Board Member Wohlgemuth to recommend that the City Council (1) conduct a public hearing in consideration to amend and extend an existing revolving credit agreement with the Water Utility for \$25 million, and with the Electric Utility for \$35 million, for an additional three years and three months for an estimated cost of \$413,500; (2) adopt a resolution to amend and restate the existing Revolving Credit Agreement with U.S. Bank National Association for the Water and Electric Utility; (3) approve the City's Financing Team, as described in the staff report; and (4) delegate to the City Manager, the Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer, the Finance Director/Assistant Chief Financial Officer, and the Public Utilities General Manager of the City (or any duly authorized designee of any of such officers) the authority to execute all documents related to this transaction.



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FIRST AMENDMENT TO INTER-UTILITY SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY - MOBILE-HOME AND MULTI-FAMILY ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Avery and seconded by Board Member Montgomery to recommend that the City Council (1) approve the First Amendment to the Inter-Utility Service Agreement with Southern California Gas Company for the Mobile-Home and Multi-Family Energy Efficiency Program to add \$500,000 per year for Fiscal Years 2024-25 and 2025-26 for a total annual amount of \$1,000,000 per year and for a total contract amount of \$2,000,000; and (2) authorize the City Manager, or their designee, to execute the First Amendment to the Master Inter-Utility Agreement with Southern California Gas for Energy Efficiency, Resource Savings, and Related Activities, including making non-substantive changes. The motion carried unanimously.

ENERGY SAVINGS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM MASTER INTER-UTILITY AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY

Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Montgomery and seconded by Board Member Wohlgemuth to recommend that the City Council (1) approve the Energy Savings Assistance Program Master Inter-Utility Agreement with Southern California Gas Company in the annual amount of \$750,000 for Fiscal Years 2025-26 and 2026-27 for a total contract amount of \$1,500,000; and (2) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Master Inter-Utility Agreement with Southern California Gas Company including the ability to make any minor, non-substantive changes. The motion carried unanimously.

ELECTRIC 510 FUND PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 BUDGET AMENDMENTS - INCREASE WATER 520 FUND PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Following discussion, it was moved by Vice Chair Siana and seconded by Board Member Wohlgemuth to recommend that the City Council approve (1) increasing the Electric 510 Fund proposed Fiscal Year 2025-26 budget amendments comprising of an increase in expenditures of \$15,246,212; and (2) increasing the Water 520 Fund proposed Fiscal Year 2025-26 budget amendments comprising of an increase in expenditures of \$1,130,569. The motion carried unanimously.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS 2415 - PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR ENGINEERING DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR SITE MODIFICATIONS - PALMYRITA WATER TREATMENT PLANT FOR PER- AND POLYFLUOROALKYL (PFAS) SUBSTANCES REMOVAL

Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Avery and seconded by Vice Chair Siana to recommend that the City Council (1) approve a Professional Consultant Services Agreement from RFP 2415 for Engineering Design and Construction Management Services for Site Modifications at the Palmyrita Water Treatment Plant for PFAS Removal with Tetra Tech, Inc., Irvine, for a term until December 31, 2029, in a not-to-exceed amount of \$3,670,451; (2) with at least five affirmative votes, authorize the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, to record a supplemental appropriation in the total amount of \$3,670,451 from the Water Fund



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Undesignated Reserves and appropriate expenditures to the PFAS Treatment Plant Account; and (3) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Professional Consultant Services Agreement and any other documents necessary to effectuate the project described herein, as well as the ability to make minor non-substantive changes in accordance with all purchasing policies. The motion carried unanimously.

## CLOSED SESSION

The Board of Public Utilities adjourned to closed session at 8:08 p.m. pursuant to Government Code (1) §54956.9(d)(4) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning the Board of Public Utilities deciding whether to initiate litigation regarding one case; and (2) §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning City of Riverside v. The IG Group, LLC, Riverside County Superior Court Cse No. CVRI2405799.

The Board of Public Utilities returned to open session at 8:38 p.m. with Chair Goldware presiding and all Board Members present.

# BOARD MEMBER/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

## CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

Senior Deputy City Attorney Beaumon announced there were no reportable actions taken during closed session.

# 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 There were no future items requested at this time.

## 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) Water supply report for February 28, 2025; (2) Power supply report for February 28, 2025; (3) Electric and Water Contractor and Consultant Panel updates for February 2025; (4) Customer Engagement Report updates through February 2025; (5) a list of upcoming City Council and Board meetings; and (6) Electric/Water Utility Acronyms.

The Board of Public Utilities adjourned at 8:43 p.m.



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Respectfully submitted,

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EVA ARSEO Assistant City Clerk