



City of Arts & Innovation

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES DRAFT MINUTES

MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2022, 6:30 P.M.
PUBLIC COMMENT IN-PERSON/TELEPHONE
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER
3900 MAIN STREET, RIVERSIDE, CA 92522

PRESENT: Chair David Crohn, Vice Chair Rebecca Goldware, and Board Members Deborah Cherney, Nipunjeet Gujral, Rosemary Heru, Nancy Melendez, Gary Montgomery, Gil Oceguela, and Peter Wohlgemuth

ABSENT: None

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

Member Montgomery led the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Jason Hunter spoke regarding the Southern California Public Power Authority.

CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Member Cherney and seconded by Member Oceguela to approve the Consent Calendar as presented below affirming the actions appropriate to each item with the item regarding the Southern California Public Power Authority semi-annual expenditures report removed from the Consent Calendar for separate discussion. The motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of March 14, 2022, were approved as presented.

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES STANDING COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS AND MEMBER RECOMMENDATIONS AS REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE ORGANIZATION COMMITTEES

The Board of Public Utilities (1) received assignments for 2022-23 standing committees of the Board of Public Utilities made by the Board Chair Crohn; and (2) recommended that the City Council appoint representatives to outside organizations as outlined in the staff report.

AWARD BID SUB-858A - 69KV DISCONNECT SWITCHES - FREEMAN SUBSTATION

The Board of Public Utilities (1) awarded Bid SUB-858A and authorized the purchase of 69kV disconnect switches for Freeman Substation from OneSource Distributors, LLC, Riverside, in the amount of \$364,340; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the procurement described herein, including making minor non-substantive changes in alignment with all purchasing policies.



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FIRST AMENDMENT TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS - GRANULAR ACTIVATED CARBON TESTING

The Board of Public Utilities (1) approved the First Amendments to the Professional Services Agreements with Calgon Carbon Corporation and Carbon Activated Corporation for Granular Activated Carbon Testing to extend the terms to December 31, 2022; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the First Amendments to the Professional Services Agreements with Calgon Carbon Corporation and Carbon Activated Corporation including making minor and non-substantive changes and to sign all documents and instruments necessary to complete the transactions.

CHANGE ORDER AUTHORITY INCREASE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 COMMERCIAL LEASE AGREEMENT - CLEARWATER GENERATION FACILITY SHOP AND OFFICE SPACE - 1700 RAILROAD STREET, CORONA

The Board of Public Utilities approved a change order for the Fiscal Year 2021-22 Commercial Lease costs with Ronald L. Judd and Kathryn K. Judd, in the total amount of \$7,536.

ANNUAL INTEREST RATE OF 0.10 PERCENT TO BE PAID ON CUSTOMER DEPOSITS, AS PROVIDED BY RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES' ELECTRIC AND WATER RULES

The Board of Public Utilities approved the annual interest rate of 0.10% for customer deposits.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PUBLIC POWER AUTHORITY SEMI-ANNUAL EXPENDITURES REPORT

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Ocegüera and seconded by Member Goldware to (1) receive and order filed the Southern California Public Power Authority semi-annual expenditure report for July 2021 through December 2021; and (2) forward a recommendation to City Council to receive the Southern California Public Power Authority semi-annual expenditure report for July 2021 through December 2021. The motion carried unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board of Public Utilities adjourned to closed session pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(1) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning City of Riverside v. Black & Decker (U.S), Inc., et al., LACSC Case No. BC 410878.

The Board of Public Utilities reconvened at 7:34 p.m. with Chair Crohn presiding and all Board Members present.



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CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

Assistant City Attorney Susan Wilson announced there were no reportable action on closed sessions.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES SAFETY PROGRAM UPDATE

This item was removed from the agenda

RECOMMEND CITY COUNCIL APPROVE RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022-23 AND 2023-24

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Oceguela and seconded by Member Gujral recommending that City Council (1) approve the Electric Funds (including Public Benefits Fund) proposed FY 2022-23 budget totaling \$419.8 million in revenues, \$445.9 million in operating expenditures, and \$40.8 million in capital improvements, and proposed FY 2023-24 budget totaling \$433.3 million in revenues, \$441.5 million in operating expenditures, and \$56.7 million in capital improvements. The difference between revenues and expenditures including capital improvements will be covered by bond proceeds and reserves; (2) authorize the use of the Designated Electric Fund Capital Repair/Replacement Reserve for technology replacements in the amount of \$200,000 per year for Fiscal Year 2022-23 and FY 2023-24; (3) authorize the use of the Designated Electric Fund Capital Repair/Replacement Reserve for vehicle replacement in the amount of \$1,500,000 for Fiscal Year 2022-23; (4) authorize the use of the Designated Electric Fund Dark Fiber Reserve for dark fiber leasing operating expenses in the amount of \$600,000 per year for Fiscal Year 2022-23 and FY 2023-24; and (5) approve the Water Funds (including Water Conservation Fund) proposed for Fiscal Year 2022-23 budget totaling \$91 million in revenues, \$86.7 million in operating expenditures, and \$29.1 million in capital improvements, and proposed FY 2023-24 budget totaling \$93 million in revenues, \$87.5 million in operating expenditures, and \$29.9 million in capital improvements. The difference between revenues and expenditures including capital improvements will be covered by bond proceeds and reserves. The motion carried with Chair Crohn and Members Heru, Melendez, Montgomery, and Oceguela voting aye and Vice Chair Goldware and Members Cherney, Gujral, and Wohlgemuth voting no.

RECOMMEND CITY COUNCIL ADOPT A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A SERVICES PRIORITY POLICY FOR LOWER-INCOME DEVELOPMENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SENATE BILL 1087

Following discussion, it was moved by Vice Chair Goldware and seconded by Member Gujral recommending that the City Council adopt the proposed resolution for establishing a services priority policy for lower-income developments in accordance with Senate Bill 1087. The motion carried with Chair Crohn, Vice Chair Goldware, and Members Cherney, Heru,



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Melendez, Wohlgemuth, and Oceguela voting aye and Members Gujral and Montgomery voting no. The motion carried unanimously.

BOARD MEMBER/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

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

Member Cherney made an announcement regarding an upcoming Riverside County Water Task Force meeting on Friday, April 22, 2022.

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 an update on the recruitment process for the position of Assistant General Manager above Energy Delivery and Water with an announcement of a successful candidate anticipated for early May 2022: (1) impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic and Emergency Orders update; (2) WA-12 Agricultural Service Water Rate Report as of February 28, 2022; (3) Customer Engagement Program updates through February 2022; (4) list of contracts executed not requiring Board approval through February 2022; (5) Electric and Water Contractor Panel Updates through January 2022; (6) Power and water supply reports for February 2022; (7) Riverside Public Utilities Electric and Water Financial Results and Accounts Receivable and Delinquencies as of January 2022; (8) Southern California Public Power Authority agendas and minutes; (9) list of upcoming Board of Public Utilities and City Council meetings; and (10) Electric and Water utility acronyms.

The Board of Public Utilities adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

LORENA VERDUSCO
Deputy City Clerk