BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES
DRAFT MINUTES

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 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 Rebeccah Goldware and Board Members Nipunjeet Gujral, Rosemary Heru, Nancy Melendez, Gary Montgomery, Gil Oceguera, and Peter Wohlgemuth.

ABSENT: Member Gujral arrived at 7:44 p.m.

Chair Crohn called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. and led the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Paul Rodriquez spoke regarding regional water provider relationships, a candidate forum at Orange Terrace Community Center, and Senate Bill 1157 regarding recycled water. Andre Prado spoke regarding a future bid award for Utility Line Clearance - Tree and Vegetation Management Services.

CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Member Oceguera and seconded by Member Montgomery to approve the Consent Calendar as presented below affirming the actions appropriate to each item. The motion carried with Chair Crohn, Vice Chair Goldware, and Members Heru, Melendez, Montgomery, Oceguera, and Wohlgemuth voting aye and Member Gujral absent.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of August 22, 2022, were approved as presented.

ATTENDANCE

The Board of Public Utilities excused the absence Member Gujral from the August 8, 2022, meeting.

SERVICES AGREEMENT - WORK ORDER 2227727 FOR ACTUATOR REPLACEMENT WORK - JOHN W. NORTH WATER TREATMENT PLANT

The Board of Public Utilities (1) approved the Services Agreement for replacement of actuators at John W. North Water Treatment Plant with R&B Automation, Inc., Temecula, in the amount of $75,006.99; (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Services Agreement with R&B Automation, Inc., including making minor and non-substantive changes; and (3) approved Work Order 2227727 for the actuator replacement work at John W. North Water Treatment Plant.

RECOMMEND CITY COUNCIL ADOPT A RESOLUTION DECLARING EMERGENCY REPAIR WORK OF GARNER WELL C TO BE OF URGENT NECESSITY FOR THE PRESERVATION OF LIFE, HEALTH OR PROPERTY - APPROVE AFTER-THE-FACT PURCHASE OF EMERGENCY REPAIR WORK - GARNER WELL C

The Board of Public Utilities (1) recommended that the City Council adopt, by at least five affirmative votes, a resolution declaring the Emergency Repair Work of Garner Well C to be of urgent necessity for the preservation of life, health or property and waiving the formal public bidding requirements in accordance with Section 1109 of the City Charter; and (2) approved the after-the-fact purchase under Purchasing Resolution 23812 Section 702 (a) for the emergency repair work of Garner Well C to Tri-County Pump Company, San Bernardino, in the amount of $88,282.84.

RECOMMEND CITY COUNCIL ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF GRANT APPLICATION TO CALIFORNIA STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD WATER RECYCLING FUNDING PROGRAM - RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES RECYCLED WATER MASTER PLAN STUDY

The Board of Public Utilities recommended that the City Council (1) adopt a resolution authorizing the submittal of a grant application to the California State Water Resources Control Board Water Recycling Funding Program in the estimated amount of $150,000 for Riverside Public Utilities' Recycled Water Master Plan study; and (2) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to accept the amount awarded and execute all grant documents, including making minor and non-substantive changes to documents associated with the grant; and (3) authorize the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, to record an increase in revenues and appropriate expenditures in the estimated grant award amount of $150,000 in account numbers to be established by the Finance Department.

ANNUAL EXPENDITURE - RECOMMEND CITY COUNCIL AWARD BID RPU-7932 AND APPROVE SERVICES AGREEMENT - LOCATING SUBSURFACE FACILITIES FOR CITY OF RIVERSIDE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES

The Board of Public Utilities (1) approved an annual expenditure of $979,100 for locating subsurface facilities from Bid RPU-7932 for Locating Subsurface Facilities for City of Riverside Underground Utilities; and (2) recommended that City Council (a) award Bid RPU-7932 for locating subsurface facilities for City of Riverside underground utilities to KANA Subsurface Engineering, Inc. , Riverside, in the annual amount of $1,021,700; (b) approve the Services Agreement for locating subsurface facilities for City of Riverside underground utilities with KANA Subsurface Engineering, Inc., for a three-year term ending October 4, 2025, with two optional one-year term extensions, in an annual amount of $1,021,700; and (c) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Services Agreement, including making minor and non-substantive changes, and with the option to extend for two additional one-year terms.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

2021 POWER SOURCE DISCLOSURE REPORTS AND 2021 POWER CONTENT LABEL FOR CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION SUBMITTAL

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Melendez and seconded by Member Oceguera to (1) approve the 2021 Power Source Disclosure Reports; (2) attest to the veracity of the 2021 Power Source Disclosure Reports; (3) approve the 2021 Power Content Label; (4) attest to the veracity of the 2021 Power Content Label; and (5) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute and submit the attestations of the 2021 Power Source Disclosure Reports and Power Content Label to the California Energy Commission. The motion carried with Chair Crohn, Vice Chair Goldware, and Members Heru, Melendez, Montgomery, Oceguera voting aye, Member Wohlgemuth abstaining, and Member Gujral absent.

Chair Crohn recused himself from participating in the following item citing conflict of interest as he owns property within 500 feet of the project and left the dais.

Vice Chair Goldware presided.

AWARD BID RPU-7915 - CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FOR WORK ORDER 1904073 - STREETLIGHT REPLACEMENT PROJECT, PHASE 4

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Melendez and seconded by Member Oceguera to (1) awarded Bid RPU-7915 for the Streetlight Replacement Project, Phase 4, to Comet Electric, Inc., Chatsworth, California, in the amount of $4,953,008; (2) approved a contract contingency of 10 percent in the amount of $495,301; (3) approved the capital expenditure for Work Order 1904073 in the amount of $5,600,000 which includes design, construction, construction support, contract administration, inspection and construction change order authority costs for the Streetlight Replacement Project, Phase 4; and (4) 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. The motion carried with Vice Chair Goldware, and Members Heru, Melendez, Montgomery, Oceguera, and Wohlgemuth voting aye, Chair Crohn recused, and Member Gujral absent.

Chair Crohn returned to the dais and presided.

RECOMMEND CITY COUNCIL ADOPT AN ORDINANCE FOR CHAPTER 14.23 OF THE RIVERSIDE MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROHIBIT AND ENFORCE WATER THEFT AND UNAUTHORIZED WATER USE
Following discussion, it was moved by Member Oceguera and seconded by Member Montgomery to recommend that the City Council adopt an ordinance for Chapter 14.23 of the Riverside Municipal Code to prohibit and enforce water theft and unauthorized water use. The motion carried with Chair Crohn, Vice Chair Goldware, and Members Heru, Melendez, Montgomery, Oceguera, and Wohlgemuth voting aye and Member Gujral 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.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES CONSIDERATION
There were no future items requested at this time.

Member Gujral arrived during the following General Manager's report.

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) impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic and Emergency Orders update; (2) the WA-12 Agricultural Service Water Rate Report as of July 31, 2022; (3) Customer Engagement Program updates through July 2022; (4) a list of contracts executed not requiring Board approval through July 2022; (5) the power and water supply reports for July 2022; (6) Southern California Public Power Authority agendas and minutes; (7) a list of upcoming Board of Public Utilities and City Council meetings; and (8) Electric and Water utility acronyms

The Board of Public Utilities adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

LORENA VERDUSCO
Deputy City Clerk