

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: OCTOBER 18, 2016

FROM: PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT WARDS: ALL

SUBJECT: PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

ISSUE:

Receive an overview of the Public Utilities Department including recognition of the Department's employees.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council receive and file this report.

BACKGROUND:

The Public Utilities Department was established in 1895 and currently serves approximately 318,000 people through 110,000 electric meters and 65,000 water meters. Our mission statement is: Riverside Public Utilities is committed to the highest quality water and electric services at the lowest possible rates to benefit the community.

DISCUSSION:

Riverside Public Utilities staff provide electric, water and related support services to our community and customers 24 hour per day, 365 days per year. To ensure service to our customers, the department is organized into five operating divisions: Energy Delivery; Water; Resources and Generation; Resources and Generation; Finance; and, Customer Relations. A team in the Office of the General Manager provide common support services in the areas of workplace safety, workforce development and training, employee and labor relations, legislative and regulatory affairs, and others.

The attached presentation highlights some of the work of our dedicated staff of the past year.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.

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Attachment: Presentation