

RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES

Board Memorandum

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

DATE: MARCH 13, 2017

ITEM NO: 3

SUBJECT: INTRODUCTION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS; ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS

ISSUES:

Introduce two new Board Members, Gildardo Ocegüera (Ward 7) and Jo L. Russo- Pereyra (City-wide) and elect the Board offices of Chair and Vice-Chair.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board of Public Utilities:

1. Introduce two new Board Members, Gildardo Ocegüera (Ward 7) and Jo L. Russo- Pereyra (City-wide); and
2. Conduct elections for the Board offices of Chair and Vice-Chair.

BACKGROUND:

On February 17, 2017, the City Council selected two new Board Members for the Board of Public Utilities: Gildardo Ocegüera (Ward 7) and Jo L. Russo- Pereyra (City-wide).

The Board's Standing Rules require that the Board conduct elections for the Board offices of Chair and Vice-Chair at their first regularly scheduled meeting in March. The board has adopted the following process for elections:

"Rule 5 (F): Election of officers shall be conducted in the following manner:

1. The outgoing chair shall call the nominations. Any member may make a nomination for officers, and such nomination does not need to be seconded by another member.
2. Nominations will be closed only by motion of a member, and seconded by another member.
3. The Board shall then vote for the officer by a hand vote.
4. In the event of a tie, the two members that received the most votes shall have a run-off election, conducted in the same manner.
5. In the event of another tie, the officer shall be selected by a coin toss."

DISCUSSION:

Board Members Ocegüera and Russo- Pereyra will be introduced and sworn in by the City Clerk at this meeting. In addition, Chair Austin will follow the procedures outlined in the Board Standing Rules to conduct the election of officers.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

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Attachment: Standing Rules of the Board of Public Utilities