BOARD OF ETHICS HEARING PANEL STATEMENT OF FINDINGS AND DECISION

Complainant: Jason Hunter

Public Official: Board of Public Utilities Chair David Austin

Alleged Violation Date: May 22, 2017

Hearing Panel Decision: Thursday, August 3, 2017

Alleged Violation: Riverside Municipal Code Section 2.78.060 M. - Violations of

Federal, State, or Local Law

Hearing Panel Members Present:

Chair Ford; Members Foley, House, Macias, Tucker; and Alternate Huerta

Hearing Panel Members Absent:

None

Findings and Decision

Following deliberation, it was moved by Member House and seconded by Member Tucker finding that there was no violation of RMC Section 2.78.060 M by Riverside Public Utilities Chair Austin pursuant to the complaint brought by Jason Hunter in that the actions of Chair Austin were reasonable and within the discretion of a board chair by allowing the speaker to "wrap up" his comments even through it exceeded the three minute time limit set forth in the Standing Rules of the Board of Public Utilities of the City of Riverside at the Board of Public Utilities meeting on May 22, 2017, based upon the evidence presented, duly considered, and discussed by the Hearing Panel. Motion carried unanimously.

Attest:

COLLEEN J. NICOL

City Clerk

Dated this 4th day of August, 2017.