

RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES

Board Memorandum

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

DATE: MARCH 12, 2018

ITEM NO: 1

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

ISSUES:

Introduce two Board Members, Jeanette Hernandez (Ward 6) and Elizabeth Sanchez-Monville (Ward 3); elect the Board offices of Chair and Vice-Chair; and, assign Board Members to each Board Committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board of Public Utilities:

1. Introduce two Board Members, newly appointed Jeanette Hernandez (Ward 6) and re-appointed Elizabeth Sanchez-Monville (Ward 3); and
2. Conduct elections for the Board offices of Chair and Vice-Chair.

BACKGROUND:

On January 23, 2018, the City Council selected new Board Member Jeanette Hernandez (Ward 6) and on February 13, 2018 the City Council re-appointed Board Member Elizabeth Sanchez-Monville (Ward 3) for the Board of Public Utilities.

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 Hernandez and Sanchez-Monville will be introduced at this meeting. In addition, current Chair Austin will conduct the elections of officers in accord with the procedures set forth in the Board Standing Rules.

The Standing Rules further provide that the newly-elected Chair shall appoint the membership of each standing committee. The Board currently has three standing committees: Customer Relations/Finance, Electric and Water. Subsequent to election, the newly-elected Chair will appoint the membership of such committees, and may announce such appointments at this meeting or at a subsequent meeting.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

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Attachment: Standing Rules of the Board of Public Utilities