

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

13. CITY OF RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT OPERATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS AND EFFICIENCIES

Interim General Manager Todd Jorgenson reported on the Public Utilities Department operational improvements and efficiencies and answered questions.

The Board stressed the importance of maintaining the focus of Utility 2.0 Vision that has been documented in the past strategic planning workshops.

The Board discussed continuing this item for 60 days in order that the item be referred to the PU Finance/Customer Engagement Committee for review of the elimination of the Deputy Manager position, two AGM positions and a Principal HR Analyst position; the move of four FTEs of the Workforce Development to the City's HR department; and the move of six FTEs of Marketing/Communication to the City Manager's office. The Board also requested that staff from the City's HR, Communications, & IT Departments brief the PU Finance/Customer Engagement Committee as to the services that will be provided to RPU by these departments.

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities requested this issue be continued for 60 days after the PU Finance/Customer Engagement Committee has reviewed this report on the operational improvements and efficiencies the City of Riverside Public Utilities Department has implemented in the last twelve months.

Motion – Austin. Second – Walcker.

Ayes: Russo-Pereyra, Austin, Crohn, Foust, Hernandez, Ocegüera, O'Farrell, and Walcker.

Absent: Elizabeth Sanchez-Monville (absence due to illness)