## DISCUSSION CALENDAR

9 Update on the Riverside Public Utilities School Education Program and approval for new engineering essay contest for \$1,200

Utilities Senior Programs/Services Rep Sharon Gutierrez gave a presentation about the RPU School Education Program, consisting of the background, classroom visits and expansion, program participation, community events, future program development, and the importance of a high school students engineering essay contest and answered questions from the Board.

Additionally, Utility Information Assistant Demaris Velez was introduced to the Board as the assistant who assists Ms. Gutierrez with the school education program.

Since the City Council needs to approve the creation of a new, annual engineering essay contest with cash awards staff added to the recommendation the following:

"The Board of Public Utilities recommend that the City Council:....."

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities recommended that the City Council:

- 1. Receive and file the update on the Riverside Public Utilities' School Education Program; and
- 2. Approve the creation of a new, annual engineering essay contest with cash awards totaling \$1,200.
- Motion O'Farrell. Second Austin.
- Ayes: Russo-Pereyra, Austin, Crohn, Oceguera, O'Farrell, Sanchez-Monville, and Walcker.
- Absent: Jeanette Hernandez (absence due to illness) Kevin Foust (absence due to business)