

CITY OF RIVERSIDE

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Minutes of: Meeting of the Board of Public Utilities  
Date of Meeting: July 22, 2019  
Time of Meeting: 6:30 p.m.  
Place of Meeting: Art Pick Council Chambers  
3900 Main Street (at Main and Tenth Streets)  
Riverside, California

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG WAS GIVEN**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

1. None.

**Roll Call**

Present: Jo Lynne Russo-Pereyra      Dave Austin  
          Jeanette Hernandez            Ana Miramontes  
          Gil Ocegüera                    Jennifer O'Farrell  
          Elizabeth Sanchez-Monville    Andrew Walcker

Absent: David Crohn (absence due to vacation)

**Consent Calendar**

A motion was made to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar:

Motion – Austin    Second – O'Farrell

Ayes: Russo-Pereyra, Hernandez, Miramontes, Ocegüera, Sanchez-Monville, Walcker

Absent: David Crohn (absence due to vacation)

**Minutes**

2. The minutes of the Board of Public Utilities regular meeting held on July 8, 2019 was approved as submitted.

**Electric Items**

3. The Board of Public Utilities:

Awarded Bid No. RPU-7664 for Street Improvements for the Harvey Lynn Substation Site Expansion Project to D'Ybanag Construction Company, of Perris, California, in the amount of \$129,810; and approved the purchase and installation of access control equipment and security system components with Stanley Convergent Security Solutions, Inc. in accordance with the Sourcewell Cooperative Agreement No. 031517-SCS in the amount of \$68,323.

4. The Board of Public Utilities:

Awarded Bid No. RPU-7662 for Cable Rejuvenation in Canyon Crest Areas 3 and 4 to E.E. Electric, of Mira Loma, California, in the amount of \$1,194,856.60; and approved Work Order No. 1819765 for a total capital expenditure of \$1,479,000 for the Canyon Crest Areas 3 and 4 Cable Rejuvenation Project.

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

Awarded Bid No. RPU-7656 for the Streetlight Replacement Project – Phase 3 to Foddrill Construction Corporation, of Chino, California, in the amount of \$1,547,623.30; and Approved Work Order No. 1718078 for a total capital expenditure of \$1,849,000 for the Streetlight Replacement Project – Phase 3; and adopted the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Proposed Streetlight Replacement for Areas 3 through 5B Project.

6. The Board of Public Utilities:

Approved a Professional Consultant Services Agreement in response to RFP No. 1810 for the Smart Grid Communication System with Burns and McDonnell, of Missouri, Kansas, for a one-year term ending June 30, 2020, in the amount of \$198,000; and authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Professional Consultant Service Agreement for RFP No. 1810, including making minor and non-substantive changes; and approved Work Order No. 1822537 for a total capital expenditure \$459,000 for the Smart Grid Communication System Project.

### **Water Items**

7. The Board of Public Utilities:

Awarded Bid No. RPU-7654 for the rehabilitation of Van Buren 2 Well to Best Drilling and Pump, Inc., of Colton, California, in the amount of \$78,635; and approved Work Order No. 1919780 for a total project expenditure in the amount of 94,363, which includes the rehabilitation of Van Buren 2 Well, staff support, and contingency costs.

### **DISCUSSION CALENDAR**

8. Request for Proposal 1890 for Energy Delivery Consulting Services – Consultant Panel Master Agreements for a Three-Year Term, With Options to Extend For Two Additional One-Year Terms, In The Amount of \$2,000,000 per Consultant.

Utilities Assistant General Manager George Hanson gave a presentation highlighting the benefits to the Utility and its' customers to having specialized services available for critical system improvements. The ability to obtain preapproval of the Board saves the Utility time and provides cost savings by reducing the timeframe of the procurement process.

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities:

Approved the 15 Consultant Panel Master Agreements in response to Request for Proposal 1890 for Consulting Services for various Public Utilities Capital projects

with a compensation limit of \$2,000,000 per consultant for a three-year contract term with options to extend for two additional one-year terms; and authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the 15 Master Agreements with each consultant firm listed herein including making minor non-substantive changes, execute Supplemental Agreements with each consultant firm listed herein, upon Board of Public Utilities work order approval, and terminate, upon mutual consent, any Master Agreement.

Motion – Sanchez-Monville Second – O’Farrell

Ayes: Russo-Pereya, Austin, Hernandez, Miramontes, Ocegüera, Walcker

Absent: David Crohn (absence due to vacation)

9. Update on the Casa Blanca Customer Resource Center Redevelopment Project and the authorization of carryover funds in the amount of \$198,742 from the Water Conservation Fund from Fiscal Year 2018/19 to Fiscal Year 2019/20 to begin the revitalization of the Kathleen Gonzales Memorial Garden at the Casa Blanca Customer Resource Center.

Utilities Customer Service Supervisor Griselda Rivera presented plans for revitalizing the Customer Resource Center and the Kathleen Gonzales Memorial Garden for increased use by RPU customers and the general public.

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities:

Received and filed an update on the Casa Blanca Customer Resource Center Renovation Project; and conceptually approved the Kathleen Gonzales Memorial Waterwise Garden and Atrium revitalization project at the Casa Blanca Customer Resource Center; and recommended that the City Council approve partially funding the project with the carryover of unexpended Fiscal Year 2018/19 funds in the amount of \$198,742 from the Water Conservation Fund.

Motion – Austin Second – Hernandez

Ayes: Russo-Pereya, O’Farrell, Miramontes, Ocegüera, Walcker

Absent: David Crohn (absence due to vacation)

10. Approve a Professional Consultant Services Agreement in response to Request for Proposal No. 1901 for the Smart Irrigation Controller, High-Efficiency Sprinkler Nozzle Direct-Install and Water Management Services Program with Valley Soil, Inc., of Temecula, California, in the amount of \$600,000 for an initial three-year term ending June 30, 2022 with one (1) option to extend for two (2) additional years in an amount up to \$200,000 per year.

Utilities Principal Programs & Services Representative Gerry Buydos gave a presentation on the savings and benefits of the Smart Irrigation program to high water usage customers. He detailed water and cost saving information and gave the Board program details from RPU customer standpoint.

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities:

Approved a Professional Services Agreement in response to Request for Proposal No. 1901 for the Smart Irrigation Controller, High-Efficiency Sprinkler Nozzle Direct-Install and Water Management Services Program with Valley Soil, Inc., of Temecula, California, in the amount of \$600,000 for an initial three-year term ending June 30, 2022 with one (1) option to extend for two (2) additional years in an amount up to \$200,000 per year; and authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the agreement including the ability to execute amendments for extensions outlined in the Agreement, subject to the ability of budgeted funds of up to \$200,000 per extension year, make minor and non-substantive changes as necessary, sign all documents and instruments necessary to complete the transaction, and otherwise terminate the Agreement pursuant to the Agreement provisions.

Motion – Miramontes Second – Oceguela

Ayes: Russo-Pereya, Austin, Hernandez, O’Farrell, Walcker

Absent: David Crohn (absence due to vacation)

#### **BOARD MEMBER/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

11. Systematic reporting on meetings, conferences, and seminars by Board members and/or staff

Board Member Gil Oceguela attended City of San Bernardino Water meeting in the City of Colton. Board Member Ana Miramontes thanked Assistant General Manager Todd Jorgenson for a tour of water facilities.

12. Items for future Board of Public Utilities consideration as requested by a member of the Board of Public Utilities - None

#### **GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT**

13. Open Work Orders over \$200,000 and Closed Work Orders – Summary Report for June 2019
14. Electric / Water / Consultant Contract Panel Update as of July 1, 2019
15. Riverside Public Utilities Financial Results – May 31, 2019
16. Contracts Executed Not Requiring Board Approval – June 2019
17. City Council/Committee Agendas
18. Upcoming Meetings
19. Electric / Water Utility Acronyms

General Manager Todd Corbin met at Bourns, Inc. with STEM/PULL students who are participating in weeklong, hands on, electric and water demonstrations.

General Manager Corbin updated the Board on the Financial Results Reports regarding key water sales and revenue fluctuations.

Board Chair Jo Russo-Pereyra mentioned Western Municipal Water District's upcoming planning meetings which will have mutually beneficial items to RPU.

#### UPCOMING MEETING

Chair Russo-Pereyra adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:10 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Public Utilities will be on Monday, August 12, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in the Art Pick Council Chamber, Riverside, California.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Todd M. Corbin, Secretary  
Board of Public Utilities

Approved by: City of Riverside Board of Public Utilities

Dated August 12, 2019