

City of Arts & Innovation

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES MINUTES

MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2023, 6:30 P.M.
PUBLIC COMMENT IN-PERSON/TELEPHONE
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER
3900 MAIN STREET, RIVERSIDE, CA 92522

PRESENT: Chair David Crohn, Vice Chair Rebecca Goldware, and Board Members Nipunjeet Gujral, Rosemary Heru, Nancy Melendez, Gary Montgomery, Gildardo Ocegueda, Brian Siana, and Peter Wohlgemuth

ABSENT: None

Chair Crohn called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Member Heru led the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ELECTION OF BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

Vice Chair Goldware nominated Member Ocegueda as Chair of the Board of Public Utilities.

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Melendez and seconded by Member Montgomery to close the nominations for the position of Chair and elect Gildardo Ocegueda as Chair of the Board of Public Utilities. The motion carried unanimously.

Chair Ocegueda nominated Vice Chair Goldware to continue as Vice Chair of the Board of Public Utilities.

Following further discussion, it was moved by Member Melendez and seconded by Member Montgomery to close the nominations for the position of Vice Chair and elect Rebecca Goldware as Vice Chair of the Board of Public Utilities. The motion carried unanimously.

Chair Ocegueda presided.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

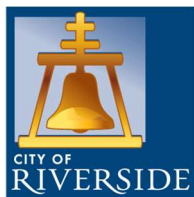
There was no one wishing to address the Board of Public Utilities.

CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Member Melendez and seconded by Member Gujral to approve the Consent Calendar as presented below affirming the actions appropriate to each. The motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of February 27, 2023, were approved as presented.



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DISCUSSION CALENDAR

MUNICIPAL DISCLOSURE RESPONSIBILITIES AND BEST PRACTICES BY STRADLING YOCCA CARLSON & RAUTH

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Melendez and seconded by Member Crohn to receive and ordered filed the presentation on Municipal Disclosure Responsibilities and Best Practices. The motion carried unanimously.

BOARD AND COMMISSION ATTENDANCE POLICY - RESOLUTION 23618

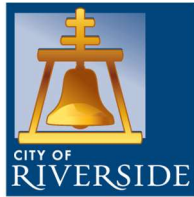
Following discussion, it was moved by Member Gujral and seconded by Member Montgomery to receive and ordered filed the report on the Board and Commission Attendance Policy, Resolution No. 23618. The motion carried unanimously.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 2241 AGREEMENT - TURBINE BLADE MAINTENANCE - RIVERSIDE ENERGY RESOURCE CENTER UNITS 1 AND 2

Following discussion, it was moved by Vice Chair Goldware and seconded by Member Gujral recommending that the City Council (1) approve the agreement for Request for Proposal 2241, with GE Package Power, LLC., Houston, Texas for turbine blade maintenance at Riverside Energy Resource Center Units 1 and 2 for \$280,563; and (2) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the agreement with GE Packaged Power, LLC., including making minor and non-substantive changes. The motion carried unanimously.

LETTER OF CREDIT TERM EXTENSION SUPPORTING THE VARIABLE RATE REFUNDING ELECTRIC REVENUE BONDS ISSUE OF 2011A - FIRST AMENDMENT TO REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT AND FEE LETTER

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Crohn and seconded by Member Montgomery recommending that the City Council (1) adopt a Resolution authorizing the extension of the term of a Letter of Credit supporting the Variable Rate Refunding Electric Revenue Bonds Issue of 2011A, and approving the form of a First Amendment to the Reimbursement Agreement and the Fee Letter relating to such Letter of Credit and approving the supplement to the Official Statement for the 2011A Electric Revenue Bonds to reflect a three-year extension of the term of the Letter of Credit on behalf of the City of Riverside; (2) approve and authorize expenditures for the use of PFM Financial Advisors, LLC as the City's Municipal Advisor, Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth as the City's Bond and Disclosure Counsel, and reimburse Bank of America, NA for legal costs associated with their transactions; and (3) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents related to these actions and to make non-substantive revisions to those documents as needed. The motion carried unanimously.



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VEHICLE REPLACEMENT PURCHASES FOR WATER FIELD AND OPERATIONS DIVISIONS IN COMPLIANCE WITH PURCHASING RESOLUTION 23914, SECTIONS 602 (F) & (P)

Following discussion, it was moved by Vice Chair Goldware and seconded by Member Melendez (1) recommending that the City Council (a) approve vehicle purchases in compliance with Purchasing Resolution No. 23914, Sections 602 (f) & (p), Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing for the Water Field and Operations divisions for an estimated amount of \$4,814,000, plus interest, with various vendors, subject to the availability of budgeted funds; and (b) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the individual purchase agreements, purchase orders, and all necessary documents as needed for these individual purchases with all authority for such, including approval of minor and/or non-substantial changes, expiring on September 30, 2023; and (2) requesting staff bring back to the Board of Public Utilities funding options for the balance of vehicles to include an updated amortization review and financial analysis review. The motion carried unanimously.

BOARD MEMBER/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

SYSTEMATIC REPORTING ON MEETINGS, CONFERENCES, AND SEMINARS BY BOARD MEMBERS AND/OR STAFF

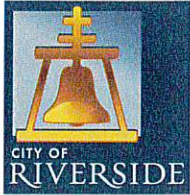
Member Melendez announced that the Ad Hoc Committee for the Gage Canal is scheduled to meet in April.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES CONSIDERATION

Chair Oceguela requested (1) informational meetings with staff continue as needed and requested by board members; (2) additional training to board members via attendance to power and aqua conferences; and (3) staff facilitate tours by board members of facilities and territories owned and operated by Riverside Public Utilities in the City of Riverside and associated statewide systems that affect our service area.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Following discussion and without formal motion, the Board of Public Utilities received and ordered filed the General Manager's reports including the announcement that Assistant City Manager and Chief Sustainability Officer Rafael Guzman will be the new City Manager Office's representative and will oversee the Department of Public Utilities and the (1) impact of COVID-19 Pandemic and Emergency Orders update; (2) WA-12 Agricultural Service Water Rate report as of January 31, 2023; (3) Customer Engagement Program updates through January 2023; (4) list of upcoming Board of Public Utilities and City Council meetings; and (4) Electric and Water utility acronyms.



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The Board of Public Utilities adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


LORENA VERDUSCO
Deputy City Clerk