

MINUTES

UTILITY SERVICES/LAND USE/ENERGY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

City of Riverside

Thursday, March 12, 2015, 3 p.m.

Mayor's Ceremonial Room

PRESENT: Chair Mac Arthur, Vice Chair Perry, and Member Gardner

ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Colleen Nicol, Deanna Lorson, Steve Badgett, Kristi Smith, Al Zelinka, Gregg Gu, Carlie Myers, Moises Lopez, Tom Boyd, Tina English, Robert Filiar, Cheryl Johannes, Kevin Palmer, and Scott Catlett

ALSO PRESENT: Charles Slaughter, Phillip Dempsen, Karen Wright, Bruce Camenga, Theresa Newham, Jim Hoesman, Ron Smith, Steven Lawson, Lori Yates, Ruthee Goldkorn, Diana Ruiz, Kathryn Safford, Mark Porter, Marlene Mossestad, Cynthia Zdilov, and Doris Wright

Chair Mac Arthur called the meeting to order at 3:07 p.m.

RIVERSIDE REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLANT FUEL CELL PROJECT - 5950 ACORN

Following discussion and without formal motion, the Committee unanimously recommended that the City Council (1) approve the 20-year Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) with Riverside Fuel Cell, LLC, to design, operate, and maintain a 1.4 megawatt (MW) bio-gas fuel cell at the Riverside Water Quality Control Plant (RWQCP) located at 5950 Acorn Street; and (2) authorize the Interim City Manager, or his designee, to (a) execute the PPA, as well as any future amendments to the PPA under terms and conditions substantially similar or superior to this PPA; (b) execute any documents necessary to administer the PPA that are consistent with the established policies of the City Council; and (c) terminate the PPA for circumstances provided for in the PPA.

STREET TREE PROGRAM UPDATE

Following discussion, motion was made by Vice Chair Perry and seconded by Chair Mac Arthur to (1) receive and order filed the update on the Street Tree Program; and (2) recommend that the City Council (a) make no changes to the current policy regarding street trees or sewer laterals; (b) incorporate a policy amendment to allow more flexibility to requested tree removals when a property owner will agree to pay for their removal and replacement; and (c) alter current practices to proactively remove problematic trees. Motion carried unanimously.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Theresa Newham spoke regarding City employees and the old Riverside Golf Course.
Karen Wright spoke regarding the old Riverside Golf Course and trees.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

There were no future items requested at this time.

The Committee adjourned at 4:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



COLLEEN J. NICOL
City Clerk