

# BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES MINUTES

MONDAY, JUNE 14, 2021, 6:30 P.M.
VIRTUAL MEETING
PUBLIC COMMENT VIA TELEPHONE
3900 MAIN STREET, RIVERSIDE, CA 92522

PRESENT: Chair Elizabeth Sanchez-Monville, Vice-Chair David Crohn, and Board

Members Deborah Cherney, Rosemary Heru, Nancy Melendez,

Gary Montgomery, Gil Oceguera, and Peter Wohlgemuth

ABSENT: None

Chair Sanchez-Monville called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Board Member Oceguera led the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

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

## GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Following discussion and without formal motion, the Board of Public Utilities received and ordered filed the (1) General Manager's report; (2) update on the impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic and Emergency Orders; (3) WA-12 Agricultural Service Water Rate Report as of April 30, 2021; (4) Sharing Households Assist Riverside's Energy (SHARE) Program and Energy Recovery Assistance Program (ERAP) updates through April 2021; (5) list of contracts executed not requiring Board approval in April 2021; (6) Water and power supply reports for April 2021; (7) Southern California Public Power Authority agendas; (8) Riverside Public Utilities Electric and Water Fiscal Year 20/21 Q3 Financial Results; (9) list of upcoming Board of Public Utilities and City Council meetings; and (10) Electric and Water utility acronyms.

General Manager Corbin announced that Board Member Ana Miramontes resigned from the Board of Public Utilities as she moved out of the Ward she represented.

## REOPEN PUBLIC COMMENT

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Cherney and seconded by Member Montgomery to reopen public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board of Public Utilities and staff recognized Board Member Ana Miramontes for her years of dedication serving on the Board of Public Utilities.

Ana Miramontes spoke regarding her term on the Board of Public Utilities. Jason Hunter spoke regarding the implementation of an Electric Advanced Meter System and Meter Data Management System.



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## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

#### 2020 WATER SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY PLAN

Hearing was called to review the 2020 Water Shortage Contingency Plan. Two people spoke on the matter. Following discussion, it was moved by Member Oceguera and seconded by Member Wohlgemuth to close the public hearing. The motion carried unanimously.

Following further discussion, it was moved by Vice-Chair Crohn and seconded by Member Cherney to recommend that the City Council adopt the 2020 Water Shortage Contingency Plan with exclusion of the word "minimal" in Submittal Table 8-2 Demand Reduction Actions, Shortage Level 4 - Landscape - Limit landscape irrigation to specific days section and revise only the first sentence to read: "Non-agricultural irrigation shall be limited to supporting survival of trees and shrubs." The motion carried unanimously.

#### 2020 URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

Hearing was called to review the 2020 Urban Water Management Plan. Three people spoke on the matter. Following discussion, it was moved by Member Oceguera and seconded by Member Melendez to close the public hearing. The motion carried unanimously.

Following further discussion, it was moved by Member Cherney and seconded by Member Montgomery to recommend that the City Council adopt the 2020 Urban Water Management Plan with the typographical revisions as requested by the Board. The motion carried unanimously.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

It was moved by Member Melendez and seconded by Member Oceguera to approve the Consent Calendar as presented below affirming the actions appropriate to each item with the item regarding the 2021 Public Utilities Wildfire Mitigation Plan removed from the Consent Calendar for separate discussion. The motion carried unanimously.

## **MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting of May 24, 2021, were approved as presented.

AUTOMATIC VOLTAGE REGULATOR SPARE PARTS FOR GAS TURBINE UNITS 3 AND 4 - RIVERSIDE ENERGY RESOURCE CENTER

The Board of Public Utilities approved the expenditure for the purchase of automatic voltage regulator spare parts from OEM Parts Network, Rancho Cucamonga, California, in the amount of \$119,078.



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### INCREASE ANNUAL PURCHASE ORDER - DEBT COLLECTION SERVICES

The Board of Public Utilities approved an increase of \$50,000 to the annual purchase order with Sequoia Financial Services of \$80,000 for a revised total purchase order of \$130,000.

## **DISCUSSION CALENDAR**

### 2021 PUBLIC UTILITIES WILDFIRE MITIGATION PLAN

Following discussion, it was moved by Vice Chair Crohn and seconded by Member Cherney to recommend that the City Council to approve the 2021 RPU Wildfire Mitigation Plan annual updates for submittal to the Wildfire Safety Advisory Board by July 1, 2021 pursuant to Assembly Bill (AB) 1054. The motion carried unanimously.

RIVERSIDE MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 2.78 CODE OF ETHICS AND CONDUCT REVIEW Following discussion, it was moved by Member Melendez and seconded by Member Oceguera to receive and file the report regarding Code of Ethics and Conduct with no recommendations for the Board of Ethics. The motion carried unanimously.

### AGREEMENT AMENDMENT - PI SOFTWARE LICENSE AND SERVICES

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Cherney and seconded by Vice Chair Crohn to (1) approve the Amendment to the Enterprise Program Agreement with OSIsoft, LLC, for PI software license and services through August 14, 2026, in the amount of \$1,212,333; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the Amendment with OSIsoft, LLC, including making minor and non-substantive changes. The motion carried unanimously.

BID RPU-7780 - WORK ORDER 2021714 - LINCOLN AVENUE TECHITE PIPE REPLACEMENT PROJECT Following discussion, it was moved by Member Oceguera and seconded by Member Melendez to (1) award Bid RPU-7780 to T.E. Roberts, Inc., Orange, California, in the amount of \$5,378,463 for the construction of the Lincoln Avenue Techite Pipe Replacement Project; (2) authorize staff to issue change orders to the T.E. Roberts, Inc., Construction Contract in an amount not to exceed 10 percent of the original contract price, or \$537,846.30, for Bid RPU-7780; (3) approve the capital expenditure for Work Order 2021714 in the amount of \$6,510,000 to include all design, construction, construction support, contract administration, inspection and construction change order authority costs for the Lincoln Avenue Techite Pipe Replacement Project; and (4) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the project described herein, as well as the ability to make minor non-substantive changes in alignment with all purchasing policies. The motion carried unanimously.



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## **BOARD MEMBER/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

Chair Sanchez-Monville reported on a meeting with Councilmember Fierro regarding sustainability. Member Cherney reported on a Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) event she and Member Oceguera attended.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES CONSIDERATION

Vice Chair Crohn requested presentations regarding budget method for billing and upgrading of water meters with a focus on technical and financial components.

The Board of Public Utilities adjourned at 9:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

LORENA VERDÚSCO Deputy City Clerk