

City of Arts & Innovation

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES MINUTES

MONDAY, JULY 12, 2021, 6:30 P.M.
PUBLIC COMMENT IN PERSON/TELEPHONE
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER
3900 MAIN STREET, RIVERSIDE, CA 92522

PRESENT: Chair Elizabeth Sanchez-Monville, Vice-Chair David Crohn, and Board Members Rosemary Heru, Gary Montgomery, Gil Oceguela, and Peter Wohlgemuth

ABSENT: Board Members Deborah Cherney and Nancy Melendez

Chair Sanchez-Monville called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. and 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.

CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Member Oceguela and seconded by Member Montgomery to approve the Consent Calendar as presented below affirming the actions appropriate to each item with the item regarding the Board of Public Utilities standing committee assignments removed from the Consent Calendar for separate discussion. The motion carried unanimously.

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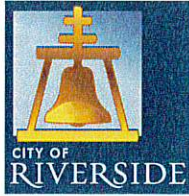
The minutes of the meeting of June 28, 2021, were approved as presented.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES STANDING COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS – APPOINTMENT OF BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES MEMBERS AS REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE ORGANIZATION COMMITTEES
Following discussion, it was moved by Member Montgomery and seconded by Member Oceguela to (1) receive assignments for fiscal year 2021/22 standing committees of the Board of Public Utilities made by the Board Chair; and (2) recommending that the City Council appoint representatives to outside organizations as outlined in the report. The motion carried with Chair Sanchez-Monville, Vice Chair Crohn, and Members Heru, Montgomery, and Oceguela voting aye and Member Wohlgemuth voting no.

WORK ORDER 2104921 - GARFIELD AND OVERLAND WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT PHASE II

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Oceguela and seconded by Member Wohlgemuth to approve Work Order 2104921 in the total amount of \$1,425,000 for all engineering, construction, paving and construction contingency costs for the Garfield and Overland Water Main Replacement Project (Phase II). The motion carried unanimously.



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RESTART UTILITY BILL REPAYMENT PROGRAM

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Ocegüera and seconded by Member Montgomery recommending that the City Council (1) approve implementation of the revised Restart Utility Bill Repayment Program for all customers that have been adversely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic to be effective within 60 days of the City Council reversing the March 17, 2020, direction to suspend discontinuance of service for nonpayment of water, electric, sewer and refuse utility including repayment contracts for commercial customers and to provide an option for non-equal repayment schedules; and (2) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to implement the Restart Utility Bill Repayment Program for all customers that have been adversely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic to be effective within 60 days of the City Council reversing the March 17, 2020, direction to suspend discontinuance of service for nonpayment of water, electric, sewer and refuse utility services. The motion carried unanimously.

BOARD MEMBER/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

There were no reports given at this time.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES CONSIDERATION

There were no future items requested at this time.

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) Riverside Public Utilities Electric and Water Fiscal Year 20/21 Q3 Financial Results; (4) WA-12 Agricultural Service Water Rate Report as of May 31, 2021; (5) Sharing Households Assist Riverside's Energy (SHARE) Program and Energy Recovery Assistance Program (ERAP) updates through May 2021; (6) list of contracts executed not requiring Board approval in May 2021; and (7) Water and power supply reports for May 2021.

The Board of Public Utilities adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


LORENA VERDUSCO
Deputy City Clerk