

*City of Arts & Innovation*

## BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES MINUTES

MONDAY, MAY 23, 2022, 6:30 P.M.  
PUBLIC COMMENT IN-PERSON/TELEPHONE  
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER  
3900 MAIN STREET, RIVERSIDE, CA 92522

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PRESENT: Chair David Crohn, Vice Chair Rebecca Goldware, and Board Members Deborah Cherney, Nipunjeet Gujral, Nancy Melendez, Gary Montgomery, Gil Oceguela, and Peter Wohlgemuth

ABSENT: Board Member Rosemary Heru

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

Member Oceguela led the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Seth Wilson spoke regarding sustainability and his municipal utility experience. Tom Evans spoke regarding the contract authority of the Board of Public Utilities and Measure MM.

### COMMUNICATIONS

Power Resources Manager Tracy Sato provided the Riverside Public Utilities sustainability efforts update.

### CONSENT CALENDAR

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

### MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of May 9, 2022, were approved as presented.

### DISCUSSION CALENDAR

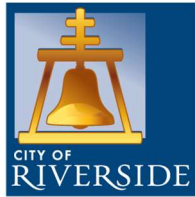
#### PER AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES UPDATE

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Cherney and seconded by Member Melendez to receive and order filed a Per and polyfluoroalkyl substances update. The motion carried unanimously.

Member Cherney left the dais during the following item and participated via telephone.

#### SAFETY PROGRAM UPDATE

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Oceguela and seconded by Member Montgomery to receive and order filed the Riverside Public Utilities Safety Program update. The motion carried unanimously.



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### **AGREEMENT - AS-NEEDED DEMINERALIZED WATER TREATMENT SERVICES - RIVERSIDE ENERGY RESOURCE CENTER AND CLEARWATER POWER PLANT**

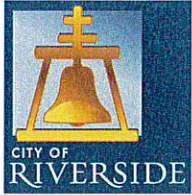
Following discussion, it was moved by Vice Chair Goldware and seconded by Member Melendez to (1) approve an agreement with Suez Water Technologies and Solution Services USA, Inc., Norfolk, Virginia, to provide as-needed demineralized water treatment services for a five-year term with three optional one-year extensions in the amount of \$800,000 per year and a total of \$6,400,000 for eight years; and (2) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Agreement and the optional contract extensions with Suez Water Technologies and Solution Services USA, Inc., including making minor non-substantive changes. The motion carried unanimously.

### **RECOMMEND CITY COUNCIL APPROVE RIGHT OF ENTRY AND TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT AGREEMENT - STAGING AREA ON CITY-OWNED PROPERTY - FACILITATE CONSTRUCTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF RIGHT AND LEFT LEVEE DIVERSION - RIVERSIDE LEVEE SANTA ANA RIVER STABILIZATION PROJECT**

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Ocegüera and seconded by Member Montgomery recommending that the City Council: (1) approve the Right of Entry and Temporary Construction Easement Agreement with Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District for a staging area on a portion of City-owned property, Assessor's Parcel No. 0277-022-75 to facilitate construction and implementation of the Right and Left Levee Diversion known as the Riverside Levee Santa Ana River Stabilization Project for a term from June 1, 2022 to December 31, 2026, for total compensation of \$2,606,202 to the City; and (2) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Right of Entry and Temporary Construction Easement Agreement, including making minor, non-substantive changes, and sign all documents and instruments necessary to complete the transaction. The motion carried unanimously.

### **ANNUAL WATER SUPPLY AND DEMAND ASSESSMENT - RECOMMEND CITY COUNCIL ADOPT RIVERSIDE ANNUAL WATER SUPPLY AND DEMAND ASSESSMENT**

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Ocegüera and seconded by Member Montgomery (1) to approve the Riverside Annual Water Supply and Demand Assessment; and (2) recommending that the City Council adopt the Riverside Annual Water Supply and Demand Assessment. The motion carried with Chair Crohn, Vice Chair Goldware, and Members Gujral, Melendez, Montgomery, Ocegüera, and Wohlgemuth voting aye and Members Cherney and Heru absent.



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### BOARD MEMBER/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

#### ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES CONSIDERATION

Member Montgomery requested a presentation on the impacts to Public Utilities operations due to a delay or loss of Riverside Transmission Reliability Project. Vice Chair Goldware requested (1) addition of alternatives and/or other options to staff report recommendations; (2) staff review City Council agendas and notify the Board of upcoming items; and (3) summary of contracts associated with Measure MM within the last two years.

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

Member Oceguela reported on the Hillcrest High School essay contest winners.

#### 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 an update of the recent Measure MM presentation to City Council and on State funding for electric, water, and wastewater utility assistance programs: (1) impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic and Emergency Orders update; (2) Electric and Water Contractor and Consultants Panel updates for March 31, 2022; (3) Riverside Public Utilities Electric and Water Financial Results through March 2022 and Accounts Receivable and Delinquencies through March 2022; (4) a list of upcoming Board and City Council meetings; and (5) Electric/Water Utility Acronyms

The Board of Public Utilities adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
LORENA VERDUSCO  
Deputy City Clerk